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Port Almanac—January 6.

Sun Rises	7.10 A M
Sun Sets	5.03 P M
Day's Length	9 h 53 m
High Water at Southport	10 04 P M
High Water at Wilmington	11.47 P M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan 6.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 48°; 8 p. m., 44°; maximum, 56°; minimum, 44°; mean, 50°;

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, .01.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Generally fair and colder; westerly winds.

OUTLINES.

The Yadkin Falls Manufacturing Company has gone into the hands of a receiver. —— Two negro murderers were hanged at Norfolk, Va. ——Gen. Francis A. Walker, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is dead. —— Postmaster General Wilson, it is said, will accept the presidency of Washington-Lee University. —— No business of importance was transacted in Congress, which met yesterday after the holiday recess. ——The steamer Dauntless succeeded in landing an expedition on the coast of Cuba. ——Gen. Weyler says he expects to put an end to the rebellion in the Havana district within a fortnight and in Matanzas province before the rainy season sets in. —— A petition is circulated among Democratic members of the New York Legislature asking them not to vote for the re nomination of Senator Hill. —— Special reports to the Charleston *News and Courier* from nearly all the counties id South Carolina show that the State is in a better financial condition than at any time since the war. —— Cubans in Key West, Fla., are rejoicing over the landing of an expedition on the east coast of Cuba. —— Several persons were injured, some of them fatally, in a train wreck on the Burlington & Quincy road, near Carson, Iowa. —— The refusal of a Polish priest to celebrate mass over a dead person at Bay City, Mich., caused a riot, in which one person was shot and several were badly injured. —— The steamer Three Friends is again in the hands of the U. S. authorities at Jacksonville, Fla. ——The Republican caucus of the Pennsylvania Legislature nominated State Senator Penrose to succeed Mr. Cameron in the U. S Senate. —— The greatest snow and wind storm ever experienced in the Northwest prevailed in Minnesota Sunday and Monday. —— The Pope's condition is reported very grave. ——Yesterday's New York markets: Money on call was easy at 1½@2 per cent., last loan at 1½ per cent., closing offered at 1½ per cent.; cotton quiet—middling 7 1-16c; Southern flour quiet and steady—common to fair extra $3 00@3 55; good to choice $3 55@3 85; wheat—spot active for export and lower—free on board 99½c, ungraded red 80@99½c; corn—spot dull and firm, No. 2 29½c at elevator and 30¾c afloat; rosin steady—strained common to good $1 72½; spirits turpentine firm at 27½@28c.

The Indiana man who committed suicide because he was caught robbing the Sugar Trust never belonged to the Trust or he would never have committed suicide.

The tobacco planters of this country raised last year 8,500,000 pounds more of tobacco than they did the year before last and it brought them $3,581,000 less.

The State of Kansas is going to celebrate her birthday on the 29th inst. The general impression was from the amount of howling done in that State, that she was sorry she had a birthday.

The city of Chicago is wrestling with an epidemic of rheumatism, which is no respecter of persons, but tackles the able bodied athlete with as much gusto as it does the puny or aged mortal.

An Austrian tobacco expert insists that tobacco is a perennial and not an annual plant, as generally supposed. We believe he is right. Some Florida tobacco growers are going to experiment on that line.

Gen. Weyler is counting on sickness, bullets and hunger to end the racket in Cuba. Judging from his economy in bullets, he seems to be depending principally on sickness and hunger, and some assassination.

International bimetallism is an impossibility, exclaims the gold organ, and then when there is a proposition for an international congress, they exclaim, oh, don't try it. How do they know without trying?

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR:

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Two "	1.00
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TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.

The STAR will be delivered by carrier at any point in the city at 12 cents per week, or 45 cents per month.

Our enterprising contemporary, the Charlotte *Observer*, doesn't let fire or anything of that kind interfere with its regular business. It showed its hustle when in spite of the fire that gutted its office Saturday night it got out its regular Sunday edition, as if nothing was the matter; another proof that Charlotte has a paper equal to emergencies, and up with the vim of the town it talks for.

The business failures in this country last year numbered 15,113, an increase of 16 per cent. over the failures in 1895. This is according to Bradstreet's. Dun & Co. put the number of failures at 14,800, against 13,195 for 1895, and the amount involved $225,000,000, against $173,196,060 for 1895. This isn't showing up well for the "advance agent of prosperity."

John W. Holland, of Danville, who made an assignment, a few days ago, was in independent circumstances, and didn't owe a dollar himself. His property went to pay the debts of a deceased brother whose notes he endorsed to the amount of $248,000.

During the campaign Republican campaigners declaimed a good deal against taxing the poor man's breakfast table, and now they have gone and made a trust on it by combining the oatmeal and other mills that prepare stuff for the breakfast table.

Senator Sherman has written a note to Mr. McKinley informing him that he (Mr. Sherman) prefers the Senate to a roost in the Cabinet, which will be interesting information to Mark Hanna and other patriots who hoped to fall heir to Sherman's Senatorial brogans.

Mr. McKinley will be the third Methodist elected to the Presidency. His church Methodism may be all right, but there are other kinds of methodism he believes in that have brought a great deal of trouble to this country.

Senator Sherman is opposed to the organization of a permanent tariff commission, with a view to taking the tariff out of politics. If it wasn't for the politics there is in the tariff it would have been out of politics long ago.

Count Hutzfield, who married Miss Bonaparte in Baltimore last week, had better walk straight for she can curtain lecture him in several languages.

Succi, the Italian who starved himself into notoriety, succeeded also in starving himself into an insane asylum in Paris.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
CLYDE LINE—Sailing days.
OPERA HOUSE—Sousa's Band.
R. J. HESTER & CO.—Dissolution.
OPERA HOUSE—The Private Secretary

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. G. W. P. Batte, of Charlotte, was registered here yesterday.

— Mr R. J. Hester, of Elizabethtown, was a visitor in this office yesterday.

— Mr. S. E. Memory, a prominent merchant of Whiteville, was here yesterday.

— Mr. Frank T. Mills returned yesterday from a business trip to Jacksonville, N. C.

— Mr. William Woolvin, a prominent farmer of Sloop Point, was in the city yesterday.

— Messrs. Frank Wilks and K. B. Tolson, of Society Hill, S. C., were in the city yesterday.

— Mr. John Wood, special agent of the New York Life, was among yesterday's hotel registrations.

— Mr. J. K. Johnston, general manager of the Sun Life Insurance Co., of Canada, is in the city, at The Orton.

— Messrs. W. W. Harris, Richmond; F. A. Ragland, Atlanta; J. R. Johnson, Raleigh; J. C. Mintz, Southport; Oscar L. Fields, Dudley, H. E. Trulove, Whiteville, and E. B. Ward, Rowland, were in the city yesterday.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— Slight repairs are being made on the Carolina Issurance Company's building.

— The usual Epiphany service will be held at St. James' church this morning at 11 o'clock.

— The sidewalk in front of the office and shops of the Carolina Cooperage Company is being paved with brick.

— A false alarm of fire was sent in last night at half-past nine o'clock from box 48, corner of Fifth and Orange streets.

— The many friends of Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., will regret to hear that he is reported very sick at his home in Fayetteville.

— The notice of the dividend declared by the board of directors of the W., C. & A. R. R., in yesterday's STAR should read "three" instead of five per cent.

— A number of colored people passed through the city yesterday en route to the turpentine fields of Georgia. They were in charge of Mr. W. H. Barber, and were employed at Verona.

— Regular monthly business meeting of the North Carolina Sorosis will be held in the Y. M. C. A. building on Thursday, January 7, at 4 o'clock p. m. The executive committee will meet at 3 45 o'clock.

— The married men and their helpers, of the Central Baptist church, will give an interesting programme tonight at the church. Among the speakers will be J. C. Stevenson, Esq., and Geo. H. White, Congressman-elect from the Second district. Exercises will commence at 7.30 p. m. All welcome.

— The STAR was the recipient yesterday of a nice sheet of music entitled "Life Without Love." This song is now being sung with great success by "The Private Secretary" Company, which will open an engagement at the Opera House next Friday night. The composer is Mr. Arthur G. Lewis, of Norfolk, Va.

— The Hon. Damocles Bucepalus Sutton, one of New Hanover's Representatives, said to the Raleigh correspondent of the STAR that there would be one or two amendments to our charter, but that there would be no change in our city government. The Hon. Damocles is vociferating through his headgear.

— New Year's day a party of gay masqueraders had their pictures taken in front of the Atlantic Cafe. Yesterday a STAR representative was shown one of the pictures. In the group are Messrs. Henry Habenicht, R. C. Curtis, George Scknibben, Jno. W. Blomme, W. H. Bloom, H. Haar, Fred Mohr and H. D. Oldenbuttle.

Entertainment at Old Hemenway.

"The Coming Woman" arrived last evening at Old Hemenway School Building, North Fourth street, and was represented by Miss Katye Bell, as "Wolverine Griffin," Miss Emma Green, as "Mrs. Badger," Miss Norma Foster, as "Victorine" and Miss Sallie Smith, as the "Judge." "Tom Carberry" (Mr. C. H. Schulken) and "Mr. Wigfall" (McG. Green) were good types of what might be called to keep up the figure, "the going man," while it was not clear whether the "Porter" (W. P. Monroe) in 1900 had his horizon limited by woman's encroachments.

The general degree of excellence was so high that it is difficult to select any one of the cast as deserving greater praise than the other. The play was really amusing and the audience came away well pleased. Miss Pocohontas Britt, the pianist, won much applause.

At the close of the play, there was a violin duet by Prof. Bernard and Miss Normie Foster, which was enthusiastically received. the violinists being obliged to repond to an encore.

Miss Katy Bell recited "The Polish Boy" with great feeling and effect.

Cape Fear Lodge I. O. O. F.

At a regular meeting of Cape Fear Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F., held last night, District Deputy Grand Master L. L. Boon, assisted by Past Grands W. H. Yopp, M. W. Jacobi, F. B. Rice, W. M. Hays, Sr., and W. W. Yopp, installed the following officers for the ensuing term:

S. P. G.—A. A. Brown.
N. G—C. D. Jacobs.
V. G.—A. H. Creasey.
R. and P. S.—J. T. Riley.
Treasurer—Wm. Goodman.
Warden—W. H. Badon.
Conductor—C. E. Smith.
Chaplain—W. L. Smith.
R. S. to N. G.—W. W. Yopp.
L. S. to N. G.—Alex. Boon.
R. S. to V. G.—J. O. Powers.
L. S. to V. G.—S. Behrends.
R. S. S.—F. LaFella.
L. S. S.—W. F. LeGwin.
I. G.—W. G. T. Keen.
O. G.—W. M. Hays, Sr.
Organist—J. W. Fleet.
Relief Committee — Col. Walker Taylor.

A Small Fire.

Fire broke out about 10.20 o'clock last night in a small frame building corner of Seventh and Nun streets, occupied by John Giles, (colored) and owned by H. B. Walker. The Fire Department turned out in response to an alarm from box 51. The fire was speedily extinguished and the damage was slight. The fire was caused by a lighted lamp left in the store by the proprietor.

Eat, Drink and Be Merry.

The foregoing is the motto on the new colored poster gotten out by the Seaboard Air Line, offering reduced rates to the commercial travellers' banquet to be given at the Piney Woods Inn January 19. Tickets will be on sale January 11 and 12, good to return until January 18.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Met Yesterday in Adjourned Session—Numerous Applications for Reduction of Tax Assessments Disposed Of—Committees Appointed—Reports Received, Etc.

The Board of County Commissioners met again yesterday morning at 11.15 o'clock in the Court House. Chairman Foster and Commissioners Moore, Alexander, Dempsey and Nixon were present.

After the meeting had been called to order, Marsden Bellamy, Esq., the Board's attorney, suggested a correction to the minutes of the last meeting, which was adopted. The correction was in regard to the non-acceptance of the late treasurer's bond, which was not correct, as the bond had not been rejected but time given Mr. VanAmringe to make the bond meet all the requirements of law.

Application from Johnson Bowen to reduce assessment on lot was not granted,

Application from Thos. A. Lawther to reduce personal tax was not granted.

Application from S. Behrends to reduce assessment on store No. 9, in block No. 164, from $15,000 to $10,000 was not granted.

Application from Jno. W. Smith to be relieved of poll tax was not granted.

Rev. Wm. M. Jackson, of St. Mark's Church, was relieved of tax on $500 personal property, the same being the property of the church parsonage, which is exempt from tax.

Application from Mrs. Ella Rutland to reduce assessment on property, was not granted.

Application from Mrs. B. Kelly to reduce assessment on a piece of property on Church street between Fourth and Fifth, was not granted.

Application from Henry Tompkins for reduction of tax on twenty-five acres of land in Harnett township was not granted.

Two pieces of property listed by the heirs of Benj. Campbell, was ordered erased, as the same had been listed by T. C. Miller.

A reduction of $800 was made from the assessment of Messrs. Fore and Foster's mill at Castle Hayne, Harnett township, this property being damaged to that extent by fire.

In regard to the assessment of property of Mrs. Emma J. Motte and Mr. Jas. E. Clark, the Board ordered the following entry made:

It is ordered by the Board that the action of the former Board of Commissioners (taken at the meeting of said Board, held October 5th, 1896,) increasing the valuation of the real estate of Mrs. Emma J. Motte and Jas. E. Clark, in block 37 of the City of Wilmington, be and the same is an error, and is hereby rescinded, and the assessment made in 1896 shall remain on said estate, to wit: $375 on the property of Mrs. Motte and $400 on the real estate owned by Jas. E. Clark on said block.

The National Bank of Wilmington was relieved of paying $57.50 excess tax and the Atlantic National Bank $25.00 excess tax.

Commissioner Dempsey introduced the following substitute for a resolution introduced at the last meeting:

Resolved, That the care of the County Home and the House of Correction be contracted for as heretofore, with the exception that the county furnish medicines the same as for the out-door poor.

Resolved further, That the contract for the same be awarded to Mr. Thos. A. Watson, at the same price as paid before, viz: twenty-two and one-half cents per capita.

On motion of Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Dempsey's resolution was adopted.

Commissioner Dempsey also introduced a resolution to elect a standard keeper.

Commissioner Moore said he didn't see how the Board could do that, as they had already elected W. J. Harris to fill that position, and he had presented his bond.

Commissioner Dempsey then withdrew his resolution.

On motion, Mr. Harris' bond, with Messrs. Silas P. Wright and W. H. Chadbourn as sureties, was accepted.

The chairman appointed the following committees: Auditing and Finance Committee, Moore, Nixon and Foster (chairman). Bridges and Roads, Alexander, Dempsey and Nixon.

Commissioner Alexander introduced the following resolution, which was laid over until the next meeting:

Resolved, That the work of shelling and improving the road extending from Wilmington to Scott's Hill, in Harnett township, be resumed without delay. That the work shall begin at a point near the six mile post, where work was discontinued last year, and shall extend westward along said road towards Wilmington.

Resolved, That all work done upon and material furnished for said road, shall be under the supervision and approval of an overseer appointed by the Board,

The County Physician's report for the month of December was read, as follows:

GENTLEMEN:—During the month of December, 1896, I have prescribed for one hundred and eleven office patients, and made one hundred and thirty-four visits to seventy-seven paupers.

Respectfully,
W. D. MCMILLAN,
County Physician.

Mr. Wm. M. Hansley was appointed to survey property for Christmas Aycock, in Cape Fear Township.

Applications were received from Thos. F. Bell and Alex Huggins for the position of keeper of Oak Grove cemetery. Alex. Huggins was elected, receiving three votes.

On motion of Commissioner Moore the following was accepted from the different druggists of the city.

GENTLEMEN—We the undersigned, druggists, hereby agree to fill all prescriptions, other than those for articles of a stated price or value, for fifteen cents each prescription. All patent medicines of a stated price or value prescribed shall be charged at that price with a deduction of 12½ per cent.

Signed by the different druggist of the city.

On motion of Commissioner Moore the hour of meeting was changed to 2.30 p. m.

Mr. Jas. H. Chadbourn, Jr., treasurer-elect, appeared and presented his bond in the sum of $70,000, with Messrs. Jas. H. Chadbourn, W. E. Worth, C. W. Yates, Wm. Calder and J. S. Armstrong, sureties. Mr. Chadbourn justified for $70,000; Mr. Worth for $30,000, and Messrs. Calder, Yates and Armstrong for $10,000 each. On motion, the bond was accepted.

At 2 p. m. the Board adjourned to meet the 14th day of the present month.

AUDIT AND FINANCE.

Proceedings of the Regular Monthly Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon.

The Board of Audit and Finance met yesterday in regular session. Present, Messrs. Wm. Calder (chairman), H. C. McQueen, C. H. Ganzer, C. W. Yates.

Thirty-seven coupons, amounting in value to $819 50, which had been redeemed and cancelled, were burned in the presence of the Board.

The Board concurred in the action of the Board of Aldermen in awarding contract for a new sewerage system in the Opera House, City Hall and guard house to the Wilmington Iron Works Co. at their bid of $758 50.

The award of contract to Wallace & Parmele for laying shells on Castle street at a cost of $949 was concurred in. Also, contract to the same bidders for laying shells on Third from Dock to Red Cross streets at a cost of $1,824 75. Also, for shells on South Fourth street, from Market to Ann, at a cost to be in proportion to their bid to shell this street from Market to Castle for $1,008. In the matter of laying shells on North Fourth street from Campbell to Nixon, the Board requested the chairman of the Streets and Wharves Committee to secure bids from Messrs. Wallace & Parmele.

It was ordered that the contractors be required to do all the grading and filling in required and give bond; and that 10 per cent. of the amount of each contract be retained until the work is completed and accepted.

The Board concurred in the suggestion of the Mayor and Aldermen Springer and Hicks to employ an attorney (in the absence of the city attorney) at a cost of $10 to defend police officer Sutton, charged with unlawful arrest of E. Highsmith.

Bills were audited and approved as follows: Current expenses, $5,452.32; coupons, $512 50; express charges on coupons, $6 25; note to Adrian & Co., $1,200; interest, $770; saving fund, $1,474 11; refunded taxes, $106 75.

The Board then adjourned.

OPERA HOUSE.

Sousa's Band Thursday Evening — The Private Secretary Friday and Saturday.

Sousa, the march king, will be at the Opera House to-morrow night with his peerless band. The sale of seats, which began at Gerken's yesterday morning, is already large, showing that the Wilmington music lovers are all anxious to hear this justly celebrated composer and band master. "El Capitan," "King Cotton" and "Liberty Bell" will be much in evidence to-morrow night.

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY.

"The Private Secretary," the comedy work of that great dramatist and actor, William Gillette, will open an engagement at the Opera House Friday evening, January 8th, for two nights and a special Saturday afternoon matinee. The company which will present this masterpiece of play-building is headed by the popular comedian, Edwin Travers. Of the play there is really nothing to say, for all theatre-goers are familiar with "The Private Secretary" and the many laughable moments it has provided for them. The piece is admirably constructed, and its complications are so skillfully devised and its action so continuous that the audience is kept in a constant state of merriment. A number of novel musical numbers not found in the text have been introduced this season, making this by far the best production ever given of this celebrated comedy.

Sale of seats will commence to-morrow morning at Gerken's.

ORDER OF HEPTASOPHS.

Installation of Officers of Oriental Conclave—A Pleasant Entertainment.

The Heptasophs, or Seven Wise Men, Oriental Conclave No. 1, did things up "brown" last night. The following officers were installed by D. S. A. K. W. Jewell and Grand Inspector T. J. Gore: W. C., J. T. Burke; E. A., Geo. L. Lewis; W. P., W. R. Lindstrom; I. G., T. C Bray; Prelate, J. W. Kramer; H., R. L Sanford; Treasurer, T. J. Gore; R. S., K. W. Jewell; W., Geo. T. Grotgen; S., Fred Hicks; Trustees, W. E. Yopp, J. T. Burke and W. R. Lindstrom.

After the installation the members of the Conclave and representatives of the press sat around the festive board, which was ladened with everything in the way of refreshments, and made merry. Numerous toasts were given for the order and its members. After supper those present proceeded to have a good time in general, telling stories, etc.

The members of the committee of arrangements, which so faithfully performed its duties, were Messrs. W. E. Yopp, T. J. Love and George Lewis.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—58 bales cotton, 1 bbl crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—141 bales cotton, 28 casks spirits turpentine, 6 bbls rosin, 91 bbls tar, 3 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—7 bales cotton, 34 casks spirits turpentine, 56 bbls rosin, 15 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 201 bales; spirits turpentine, 57 casks; rosin, 63 bbls; tar, 106 bbls; crude turpentine, 4 bbls

— Mr. J. J. Adkins, of Southport, was among yesterday's arrivals.

THE CLANS GATHERING.

PRITCHARD ORGANIZING HIS FORCES IN POPULIST RANKS.

Makes a Strong Bid For the Senatorship—Declares in Favor of Free Silver Coinage at Sixteen to One—His Election Seems to be Assured—Butler Working For Caldwell of Statesville.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 5.

Senator Pritchard arrived early this morning and took rooms at the Park Hotel, from which he will personally manage his Senatorial campaign. The Senator was beseiged by hundreds of friends on his arrival and assured that he would receive a re-election. Several Populist legislators are said to have assured him of their support.

The battle begins to-night in earnest when the caucuses get under way. The Republicans will hardly touch upon the Senatorial matter, but there is expected to be a lively time in the Populist caucus. Ed Kesler and the Skinner-Hileman crowd are opposed to admitting any of the leaders, or for that matter any Populists save those who are members of the Legislature. The Butler-Shuford element are for giving every Populist of good standing admittance.

It is said that Butler is preparing to make the speech of his life against Pritchard. He may make it to-night or he may wait until a later caucus. Senator Butler does not care to have the Senatorial matter brought up in the caucus this evening.

The events of the past twenty-four hours have developed the fact that the Populist party is rent in twain by two factions. Butler, through his lieutenants, Otho Wilson and Congressman Shepard, is doing his utmost to accomplish Pritchard's defeat. Allied against the foxy Senator and his allies are Congressman Skinner and Hileman of Cabarrus. Butler's forces are best organized, Moye, of Pitt, is fighting Skinner in his own district.

To-day it is stated that Butler is puling for L. C. Caldwell, of Statesville.

Judge Russell will reach here on the eleventh. The inauguration will occur the twelfth.

Governor Carr's message will be given out to-morrow. It comprises 80,000 words.

E. P. Hauser, of Lenoir, is against Pritchard.

There are half a dozen Populist candidates for librarian.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

There was a conference of the Skinner-Hileman faction of the Populist party here this afternoon. Twenty-seven Populists were present. The conference was called for the purpose of organizing the Pritchard forces in the Populist ranks. Congressman Skinner read a letter from Senator Pritchard in reply to a letter asking him to state his position on the financial question. The substance of the letter is given herewith: "I appreciate the position you have taken in the Senatorial matter. It is in keeping with you to deal fairly and I do not expect you to embarrass yourself. By frequent associations I am a strong friend of all the practical reforms contemplated by the Populist party, and you may assure such Populist members of the Legislature as are inclined to vote for me, that I will vote for free coinage of silver by international agreement or by independent action at the ratio of 16 to 1; and, further, I will take pleasure to vote to amend the national banking act or system so as to permit farmers, as contemplated by the sub-treasury plan, to borrow money upon land and staple crops. Any statement to the effect that I have been or am now a single gold standard man is without foundation. It is proper that I must be frank, and I must state that I will not vote for free silver or anything else, simply as a rider or obstruction to a protective tariff or any other remedial legislation."

Congressman Skinner said that after the letter was read the twenty-seven Populist members of the Legislature agreed to support Pritchard. "Seventeen of these," he says, "will bolt the caucus to vote for Pritchard." This insures Pritchard's re-election beyond all doubt. Skinner says Pritchard is as good a silver Republican as there is in the Senate, but that he is a party man on the tariff.

Mysterious Disappearance of a Young White Man.

A. Phantopolos, or as he is most generally known, "Tony," a Greek fruit and candy dealer on Front street, has had his feelings hurt if not his fears aroused by the sudden and mysterious disappearance of his clerk, Adam Wright.

Young Wright told his employer shortly after Christmas that he wanted to take a week off, and was granted that privilege on his assuring Mr. Phantopolos that he wasn't going "sporting," as the Greek, with classic elegance put it. So far, so good. But Wright, after packing up his valise, went down the street, as he said, for a few minutes, and didn't come back to get his valise or to say good-bye to his employer.

While Tony does not know how to account for his clerk's strange behavior, and is anxious for his safety, he does not entertain the slightest suspicion that there is anything crooked in Wright's dealings with himself. For he has had him in his employ thirteen months and has always found him strictly honest. He had just paid him all that was due him, about sixty dollars.

It is a little perplexing to Phantopolos, however, that simultaneous with his clerk's disappearance was that of Roy Cleveland, a suspicious character, who claimed to be from New York, and who was arrested some days ago for theft.

It was one week ago last Monday that Wright disappeared. He could not have gone to his home, LaGrange, N. C., for several letters have come from his parents there in the meanwhile addressed to him.

It is to be hoped that he will turn up all safe in a few days, thus relieving his employer's anxiety and that of his parents.

THE MORNING STAR.

Are you a subscriber to THE MORNING STAR? If not, why not?

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Do not forget that THE MORNING STAR is the cheapest daily of its class in North Carolina. Its price is $5.00, while the published price of others ranges from $7.00 to $8.00.

Criminal Court.

In the Criminal Court yesterday, cases were disposed of as follows:

Wm. McAllister, assault and battery with a deadly weapon. Defendant sentenced to 18 months in the house of correction.

Richard Terry, larceny. Sentenced to 18 months in the penitentiary.

Henry Dickson, resisting an officer. Sentenced to six months in the house of correction.

Bettie Johnson, assault and battery with a deadly weapon. Sentenced to pay a fine of one penny and costs, and county commissioners authorized to hire her out.

James Perry, assault and battery with a deadly weapon. Judgment suspended on payment of costs.

LeRoy Perry, assault and battery with a deadly weapon. Sentenced to twelve months at hard labor in the house of correction.

Thos. Lucas, resisting an officer. Not guilty.

Florence Skipper, slandering Mrs. Mary Failes. Verdict, guilty, with recommendation to the mercy of the court.

At 6 p. m. the court took a recess till 10 o'clock this morning.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Wilmington postoffice January 6, 1897:

LADIES' LIST.

B—Miss Crissie Biggs, Miss Georgia Batts. C—Miss Chilton. D—Mrs C J Darracutt. E—Miss Joanna E dridge. G—Miss Carrie Gore. H—Mrs Lizzie Heathreece, Miss Harame. L—Lisleanna Liston, Mrs Victory Lofton. M—Geo Mercer. P—Mattie Perry. R—Miss Cassie Rodgers. 117 Dock street. S—Mies Henrietta St George. Miss Lavina Stokes, Miss Missouria Sloan, Miss Mary E Thomas.

MEN'S LIST.

B—D W Bradshaw, P C Bafkins, Wm H Boney. C—David Cooper, Colored Methodist Church, Jas Campbell. E—J D Edwards. G—Froenz Gesturski. H—A J Hall. L—G H Love. K—F R King. S—J Tom Shardon, James Smith, T H Slowe, 506 Walnut street. T—Master Willie Thorp, Mr Paul Taylor. W—Bill Wright, A R Wortham, Robt Williams.

FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Howard Harriett, Martin Loftin, Miss Lela Singletary.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days, they will be sent to the dead letter office.

GEO. L. MORTON, Postmaster.

Dr. Henry E. Shepherd.

Referring to the retirement of Dr Henry E. Shepherd from the Presidency of Charleston College next July, the Baltimore *Sun* says: "He will then reside in Baltimore, where he will continue his educational and literary labors. Dr. Shepherd's published works have gained for him a distinguished place among distinguished scholars, his ability being appreciated on both sides of the Atlantic." Dr. Shepherd was formerly Superintendent of the public schools of that city.

Impromptu German.

A delightful impromptu german was given last night by the young men of the city complimentary to visiting ladies. Germania Hall was the scene of happiness and until a very seasonable hour "joy reigned unconfined." About thirty couples participated in the dance, which Mr. Arthur Belden led in his accustomed graceful and happy manner.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Dissolution.

ELIZABETHTOWN, N. C., Jan. 4 h, 1897.

The partnership heretofore existing and doing business under the firm name of R. J. Hester & Co. is this day dissolved. Mr. O. F. Melvin will continue the business, collect all bills and settle the partnership debts.

jan 6 2t* R. J. HESTER & CO.

Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED OFFERS HIS SERvices to the public as accountant, copyist or in revising manuscripts on literary or scientific subjects on reasonable terms for such work.

dec 30 tf JAS G BURR, No. 419 Mulberry street.

OPERA HOUSE,

Friday and Saturday Evenings, Jan. 8 & 9

With a special Saturday afternoon Matinee.

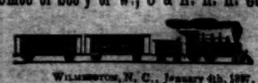
Wm. Gillette's Comedy success,

The Private Secretary,

with EDWIN TRAVERS and a powerful cast of comedians.

No advance in prices. Seats on sale at Gerken's Thursday. jan 6 3t

Office of Sec'y of W., C & A. R. R. Co.



WILMINGTON, N. C., January 4th, 1897.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta Railroad Company have instructed the Treasurer to pay to all holders of record of this date three per cent. dividend on the capital stock of that company. Dividend due and payable Monday, January 11th, 1897.

JAMES F. POST, Jr.,
Secretary and Treasurer
W., C. & A. R. R. Co.
jan 5 tf

Coal Prices.

We are Wilmington Agents for the celebrated

Pocahontas Coals,

mined in Virginia, and the popular

Jellico Coals

of Tennessee as mined by the Southern Jellico Coal Co. of Knoxville.

For domestic use we offer these HIGH GRADE COALS as follows:

One Ton $4 50.

Half Ton $2.25.

Quart'r Ton $1 25.

All lumps, free from slack as is practicable for Soft Coal to be delivered.

Our friends and patrons may depend on us to protect their interests at all times.

J. A. SPRINGER & CO.

Jan 1 tf

WINDOW SHADES.

Felt Shades, patent spring rollers, complete, 13½c. Opaque Shades, in linens, gray and green, 25c. Splendid Fringed Shades, sold elsewhere for 50c, our price 35c.
A 75c shade with heavy knotted Fringe, only 49c
Best quality Scotch Holland, our price 72c.

CURTAIN POLES.

All colors, complete with Brass Trimmings 25c.
All colors, complete with Wood Trimmings 20c.

MATTINGS.

A splendid Matting 10c yard.
Good seamless Matting 10c yard.
Cotton warp, plain with Jap figures only 12c.
Extra heavy 20c Mattings 12½c.
Door Mats 4 c.

FLOOR OIL CLOTHS.

Yard wide 25c, pretty patterns in 3-4, 6-4 and 8-4.

RUGS, RUGS.

Rugs at all prices, 45, 60, 85 and 98c.
Mequet Rugs, beautiful styles, $3.00 size $2.69; $5.00 size $4.25.

CARPETS.

Hemp, yard wide 13c, better quality 18c.
A splendid Ingrain Carpet just received at 25c yard.
50c quality Wool Ingrain, our price 39c yard.
Some splendid values in Brussels, Mequet and Axminster Carpets.

Special cut prices in our

Clothing Department,
Dry Goods Department,
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Give us a call, it will pay you.
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J. H. REHDER & Co.,

617 and 619 North Fourth street.
jan 3 tf

XMAS PRICES AT MERCER & EVANS'.



Fit your feet with our SHOES. They fit well, look well and wear well, Try them! Respectfully,

Mercer & Evans,

Successor to H. C. Evans.
115 Princess St. dec 25 tf

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until you have seen our

Holiday Novelties.

The largest stock of FINE PERFUMES, &c., in the city to select from.

JAMES D. NUTT,
dec 22 tf The Druggist.

Collector's Notice.

HAVING BEEN APPOINTED COLLECTOR of the estate of C. H. Capps, deceased, by the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Hanover County, I hereby notify all persons indebted to the said C. H. Capps to make immediate payment to me, and those to whom the said Capps was indebted at the time of his death will present their claims to me before the 25th day of December, 1897, or this notice will be plead in bar of recovery. THOS. J. UORE,
dec 30 1m Collector.

L. H. Peterson and Henry McLean,

THE EXPERT BARBERS, CAN BE FOUND at No. 11 South Front street, where they will be pleased to serve their friends. First class work guaranteed. Shaving 10 cents. Give us a call.

Respectfully,
A. PEMBERT.
dec 30 tf No. 11 South Front street

The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JAN. 6, 1897

BURNING CORN.

This is one of the few countries in the world that complains of and suffers from a surplus of food. Cheap foodstuffs in this country mean more than they do in other countries, for while its principal industry is agriculture all the other industries are dependent more or less upon it, and if it suffers they all suffer. The workers on the farm number more than all the other workers in all the other industries together. When the farmer prospers the railroads prosper, the manufactories prosper, the merchants prosper, the ships that carry the products of the farms across the lakes and seas prosper, the many thousands of people who are engaged directly or indirectly in handling the products of the farms prosper, the banks prosper for when every one prospers business is lively, enterprises numerous and the demand for money large, but when the farmer suffers all these suffer and we have "hard times," hard times when the granaries are bursting with grain, the pastures alive with cattle, and hunger in the midst of a superabundance of food.

To day the farmers of Nebraska are burning the corn which is cheaper than coal, while thousands of people are dying daily of starvation in India, and people even in our own cities are dying of starvation or putting an end to their existence through despondency and suffering for the necessaries of life. Twenty years ago there might have been some excuse for people dying of starvation in a distant country, but in these days of ocean cables, telegraphs, railroads and fleet ocean steamers there is no excuse for it. There is still less excuse for any one suffering from hunger in any American city. The corn that is worth only ten cents a bushel in Nebraska, and is being burned by the farmers because it is cheaper to use it for fuel than to buy fuel, would feed the hungry in our great cities and the starving in India.

But paradoxical as it may seem, it is the very cheapness of our farm products that makes it difficult for the masses of wage-earners to buy them, and causes suffering. Very low prices for the products of the farm deprives the farmer of the ability to buy and this means little work and lower wages for workers in factories and other industries dependent upon the farm, making it more difficult for them to buy the low priced foodstuffs than it would be if there was a brisk demand for labor, wages higher and prices of foodstuffs higher.

It is asserted by some that the cause of depression on the farm is overproduction, which is not true, for the world never yet raised and never will raise more food than the human family can consume or would consume if it was well fed. With all the vast area in this country devoted to wheat culture, we rarely have more than a hundred millions of bushels for export, and this could be easily consumed by our own people if they were able to buy all the bread they could eat.

It is not over production of food stuffs, but under production, (if we may use the word) of money, the volume of which remains comparatively stationary, while the volume of food stuffs expands. There is a relation between money and the things which are bought with money which is not as fully recognized as it should be by statesmen and financiers, who seem to act upon the principle that the main object of legislation should be to protect money and prevent it from depreciating or becoming cheap, while everything else becomes depreciated and cheap. They become cheaper simply because they multiply in quantity and the thing which their value is measured by remains stationary. The fact that the volume of money remains stationary regardless of the volume of commodities to be moved with and exchanged for money, destroys to some extent the essential property of money, which is to serve as a medium of exchange and facilitate the transfer of the commodities exchanged for it from one person to another or from one country to another.

Of course the volume of money could not always be harmoniously adjusted with the volume of things to be exchanged for it, because there is no uniformity in the volume for different years, some years it being large and in others comparatively small, but wise statesmanship would devise some plan to furnish a volume of currency which would be adequate to the demands upon it and so abundant that it would not be hoarded or kept to be loaned to those who are willing to pay for the use of it. The bushel of wheat, which has intrinsic virtue and should have intrinsic value, or the bale of cotton which has intrinsic virtue and should have intrinsic value, should be as much or more the measure of the value of the dollar, than the dollar should be the measure of their value, for these are the products of enterprise and labor and are more entitled to rank as value regulators than the dollar which is only indirectly the product of labor and receives a fictitious or fiat value because of the stamp put upon it. If there is to be any discrimination at all it should be in favor of the man whose productive labor adds to the wealth of the world and to the comforts of mankind, as against the man who produces nothing but adds to his store by the increment for the use of his inherited or accumulated dollars. True statesmanship ought to be able to find the proper relation between the volume of currency and the volume of the commodities which are moved with money, and thus solve the problem of "cheap" commodities and "dear" money, both of which are causes of untold evils.

MINOR MENTION.

There are few States in which wealth is more generally distributed than in North Carolina, and very few in which there are fewer very rich people. According to the report of Auditor Furman 80 per cent. of the tax payers of the State pay taxes on less than $500 worth of property. As illustrative of this the following statement will be interesting:

"Of the $1,036,901.96 gross revenues derived from all the real and personal property of the State, there was of ad valorem taxes:

"On lands (outside of town lots,) $330,781.65, or 33.14 per cent. of the whole.

"On town lots, $93,528 78, or 9 per cent. of the whole.

"On railroads, $111,694.46, or 10.80 per cent. of the whole.

"On all personal property, $591,267.07, or 57.06 per cent. of the whole.

"Outside of railroad, steamboat and telegraph properties, the distribution among individual taxpayers of the above subjects is suggestive. Taking Wake county as an example—and it is above the average in assessment of values—the average value of land per acre being $6 69, while the average for the State is only $3 94—the distribution of property is remarkable. Over sixty per cent. of the individual taxpayers of the county (as carefully verified by the tax lists in the office of the Register of Deeds) pay taxes on real and personal property of less than $500 assessed value. To give the figures exactly, there are 6 484 taxpayers in the county who pay on less than $500 of real and personal property; 1.521 who pay on $500 and less than $1,000; 1,564 who pay on $1,000 and less than $5,000; 231 who pay on $5,000 and less than $10,000; 130 who pay on $10,000 and above. Total number of taxpayers in the county, including the city and the towns, 9 930. Of these 1 535 of the first named, 418 of the second, 579 of the third, 144 of the fourth and 114 of the last reside in Raleigh township, which includes much property outside of the city limits, making 2,790 of all the taxpayers of the county residing in Raleigh township. Upon comparing the several counties with Wake, a most reasonable estimate for the State shows that fully eighty per cent of the individual taxpayers pay on property real and personal, for all purposes—State, county, schools, public debt, etc.—valued at $500 or less. The levy made by the State on real and personal property for all purposes is 48 cents; by the county for general county purposes, 28⅔ cents, making the 66⅔ cents allowed by the Constitution. It must be agreeable to at least eighty per cent. of the taxpayers to know that the entire cost to them individually of supporting their State and county government—every cent they pay on property, real and personal, incident to such expenses—is only $3.33⅓ or less. No higher tribute can be paid to the honesty and economy with which the public affairs of the people have been administered in the past."

Judging from our Raleigh letters and other sources of information there seems to be some sort of understanding between candidate Pritchard and Harry Skinner who is using his influence with his Populist friends to secure the return of Pritchard to the Senate, the understanding probably being that in the event it be shown that Pritchard cannot be elected he will reciprocate by using his influence for the election of Skinner, who has covetous eyes on that seat. Skinner pretends to believe that Pritchard is sound on the silver question and as good a silver man as there is in the State, an assertion that does very little credit to the intelligence of the Populist members of the Legislature who ought to be pretty familiar with Pritchard's record by this time, since his summersault after the meeting of the Republican National Convention. They can't plead ignorance of that record for Senator Butler threw a calcium light on it in that open letter to Pritchard. The *Progressive Farmer* covers the case when it points out the inconsistency in defeating Settle for Congress because he stood on the St. Louis platform which declared for the gold standard and in returning to the Senate a man who not only stood upon that platform, but to do it deserted the Populists whose votes elected him the first time. If he should be returned on the strength of any promise he might make, what assurance have they that he wouldn't, after having once betrayed them, betray them again?

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One of the growing institutions of the State, and one in which every one should take a deep interest, is the Normal and Industrial School for girls at Greensboro, which opened in October, 1892, with dormitory capacity for less than 150 pupils, with 15 teachers and 223 students and now has dormitory accommodations for 350 students, with 25 rooms, 23 teachers and an enrollment of 444 students. Within these four years nearly 1,000 young ladies have been students in the school. The main object of this institution is to train girls for teachers, to teach them the useful as well as the ornamental and it is gratifying that so many of our bright girls are availing themselves of the opportunities it offers them for a useful and independent career in life. There are many of our girls who are in a great measure dependent upon their own efforts and find in the avocation of teacher the way open for an independent and respectable livelihood. Hence it is to the interest of the children of the State who will be given into their training that they should be well fitted for the task and responsibility. Taking this view of it, even if not influenced by a kindly concern in the young ladies who seek that as a training school, we say that the people of the State should take a deep and practical interest in this Normal and Industrial School.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Weyler is getting to be as much disliked at home as he is here. Pretty soon there will be nothing left for him to do but to get off the earth. —*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

—— Whatever McKinley may order in the dress way, he'll hardly come up to his predecessors unless he also gets a duck suit.—*Phil. Times, Ind.*

—— Alf. Lewis probably hits the mark when he says that public hearings on the tariff are all humbug, for popular deception. He adds that Hanna and Dingley will sit down and make the bill according to the campaign promises of Hanna and the campaign deserts of Carnegie, the Standard Oil, Havemeyer and those other good people and trusts who had a hand in the upbuilding of McKinley.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— Something that looks like a war cloud is to be seen in the Franco-German sky; but in all human likelihood the phenomenon is mere smoke. Whenever money must be had to support the immense military establishments in France and Germany adroit appeals are made to the slumbering passions of the masses and the needed coin forthwith leaps from the pockets of the people. Under its exterior of glittering sham, Militarism is a cunning monster.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Concord *Standard*: Twenty-six prisoners are now confined in the county jail. Court convenes on Monday, January 18th, and promises to be one of the biggest courts held in Cabarrus in many years, the docket being unusually large, with two murder cases.

— Greensboro *Record*: Information was secured yesterday fastening suspicion on one Ned Napper as the man who made that assault on Miss Clapp, McDuffie's house-keeper, on Saturday morning. Napper got wind of it through some of his friends and skipped. He is a very large and powerful negro and use to drive a dray. It is well he took French leave, for he might have found things very hot for him. He was engaged in laying some drain pipes for Mr. McDuffie on Saturday, and from some remarks he made a clue was obtained and was being followed up when he heard of it and left.

— Newbern *Chronicle*: It does the eyes of one who is unused to such sights much good to travel through the newly developed tobacco districts of North Carolina. Little towns lying along the big trunk lines—towns that looked a few years ago as though some devastating hand had swept itself over them—now that tobacco is raised about them have taken on the very bloom of youth and fairly bristle with business and energy. This is true from appearances at least. This writer counted no less than one hundred and forty odd wagons of tobacco ready for the auctioneer in a little slip of a village lying along the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad and saw more bustle and activity among the populace than were exhibited in Newbern on Christmas eve.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Rev. R. C. Beaman, recently appointed by the North Carolina Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District, has made his appointments for the first round, as follows:

Wilmington, Grace church, January 9, 10.

Southport, January 16, 17.

Scott's Hill circuit, at Scott's Hill, January 23, 24.

Wilmington, at Market Street, January 31.

Wilmington, Bladen Street (night), January 31.

Burgaw circuit, at Rocky Point, February 6, 7.

Clinton circuit, at Keeners, February 13 14.

Jacksonville and Richlands, at Jacksonville, February 20, 21.

Elizabeth circuit, at Elizabethtown, February 27. 28.

Kenansville circuit, at Kenansville, March 6, 7.

Onslow circuit, at Queen's Creek, March 13, 14.

Brunswick circuit, at Concord, March 20, 21.

Columbus circuit, Evergreen, March 27. 28.

Whiteville and Fair Bluff, Whiteville (night), March 28.

Waccamaw circuit, Shiloh, March 30.

Magnolia circuit, Magnolia, April 3, 4.

Bladen circuit, at Bethlehem, April 10, 11.

The impurities in the blood which cause scrofulous eruptions are thoroughly eradicated by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Try it. †

— "Did you read, Mrs. P., that the Prince of Wales smokes $3 cigars? It seems like wicked extravagance."

'Oh, I don't know. The Prince is no better than my husband, and I have bought him a $3 box of cigars for Christmas."—*Detroit Free Press.*

FOR A LADY'S BIRTHDAY PRESENT

What would be more highly appreciated than some delicate fancy of a Gorham artist, chastely wrought in GORHAM Silver?—one of those innumerable forms of beauty to which the Gorham Trade-mark assures the further charm of Sterling quality.

Too Good for Dry Goods Stores—Jewelers only.

TWINKLINGS.

— First Senator—Why do you laugh?

Second Senator—I was just thinking what we'd do to Olney if he ever came up for confirmation for anything.—*Cleveland Plaindealer.*

— "But how can your husband draw a pension when he wasn't in the war?"

"He says it is all due to the blessings of a Republican form of government."—*Puck.*

— "My boy," said old Drywater, "in all creation you won't find an animal except man who makes a habit of smoking."

'Yes, sir. But neither do I know any other animal that cooks his meals."—*Tit Bits.*

— Mrs. Dowley—John, it is really frightful the way you swear. Before we were married you said you never gave way to profanity at all.

Mr. Dowley—And I told the truth. I never was married before.—*Cleveland Leader.*

— "Why do people take so much interest in what they call Darkest Africa anyhow?"

"I presume they have a kind of idea it would be a good thing to go there and grope with the country."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— Jagson—"I tried to pay the new woman a compliment last night in my speech, but it didn't seem to be appreciated."

Bagson—"What did you say?"

Jagson—"I said that the new woman would leave large footprints on the sands of time."—*Tit Bits.*

A ROYAL MARRIAGE.

There was a bridal in the palace—the bridal of the eldest and most lovely princess—a girl in the bud of life, the spring time of existence, a beautiful creature, radiant in smiles, exquisitely graceful, and a powerful alliance had been formed worthy of a princess so lovely.

Her dress was richly decorated with jewels, the long silk veil fell to her feet and a crown of gold, surmounted by a chaplet of orange flowers, rested on her brow. At the altar stood the priest, surrounded by the emperor and empress, the embassador and court, waiting with eagerness the coming of the bride.

"Ah, my daughter," said the emperor as the princess approached, "thou hast delayed coming!" And he led her forward.

The embassador slowly knelt down, averting his head from the guests, and the princess followed his example, seemingly unconscious of the presence of the court. Suddenly her eyes met those of the embassador fixed upon her, and, turning deadly pale, she made a sign for the ceremony to commence. The ring was placed upon her finger and her small white hand rested for one moment in the embassador's, the blessing was pronounced, the heads of both were meekly bent, and, glancing timidly at the still kneeling bridegroom, the princess rose and knelt to her father. He raised her in his arms and, turning to the empress, presented to the court the youthful queen of Germany.

"God bless her! May she be happy!" was the thrilling exclamation as the bridal party left the salon followed by the younger sisters of the bride and the graceful, mirth loving courtiers.

"What! In tears?" said the empress kindly, when her daughter, overpowered by her concealed emotion, sobbed violently on her mother's bosom. "This is not right, my child. Trust me, you shall hear of us often, and, though absent, we shall never forget you. Let me dry away your tears, for, hark, I hear sounds—footsteps are approaching."

"I trust your majesty will pardon me," said the embassador, hurriedly retreating on beholding the queen of Germany alone, for the empress had retired. "I was not aware your majesty was here. This pavilion is generally deserted."

"So it would be now, but I have come hither to see the sun set for the last time in mine own land and to listen to the sound of my favorite band, playing beneath these windows. You cannot blame me."

"My liege lady, I would not dare to breathe a word of disrespect against one so good and beautiful. Believe me, I would die to save you one moment's agony."

"Nay; is life so utterly valueless?"

"Utterly, for its only charm is lost!"

"Impossible," said the queen softly. "You have much to live for—fame, wealth and doubtless love are yours. Say there is another for whom you would die save me."

"Nay, but one—forgive me, liege lady, but one. She cannot be mine. She is lost forever to me."

"I pity you," said the queen, tears rushing to her eyes. "Is she wedded—this false one? Is she wedded?"

"Yes, oh, yes, but she was not false! I did not dare to tell my love. I knelt and prayed for strength to wish her happiness. I have asked it for her, but she knows not."

"Were your situations in life equal?" again said the queen.

"No," he answered; "she was far above me—too good, too beautiful for me."

"Ah, had she not been wedded I could have given you rank, wealth equal to hers and bestowed her on you. Should you have been happy?"

"Lady, she did not—could not love me. Judge my feelings when unrepiningly she gave her hand to another. Lady, you do not know my misery."

"How canst thou tell that?" said the queen, her cheeks turning lividly white at the warmth with which he spoke. "If youth was exempt from trials, how could we feel for others' sorrows? If I had none of my own, I could not this night weep with you."

"Trials, lady?" said the embassador.

"Yes, bitter trials, very bitter, but it is not meet thus to explain the secrets of my heart. Let me bid you be happy and, forever, farewell."

"Forever, farewell! Why, dearest lady, why? Say in aught I have offended you. Forgive me, I implore. Part not in anger with me; turn and look kindly on me again." And the kneeling embassador caught the bottom of her robe. "Believe me, I had not dared to tell you of my love, but when you spoke so kindly to me and you told me of wealth and fame, what was worth living for when I was losing you?"

"Oh, my God, have mercy! He returns my love! Protect me, pity me, weak, sinful that I am! I whose heart is his—how can I meet his sovereign?" Saying which, the queen fell prostrate to the earth, supported by the embassador. "Leave me, leave," she said when she opened her eyes. "Leave me alone now, but, oh! do not breathe to a single soul my weak confession of tonight."

"Never—never. It would be an insult to stay to oppress you with professions of love you may not return. I have caused you this unhappiness, but do not reproach me. Spare me, for your anger I cannot bear. Keep this as a memorial of one who loved you, one who must ever love you—my first, my last love. Farewell."

The queen gazed at the picture given to her and, drawing from her bosom a cross, placed it in the hand of the embassador. He pressed the hand that offered it to his lips and, rushing through the corridor, returned no more. On arriving with the youthful bride at the court of Germany he threw up his diplomatic engagement and quitted the court forever, but after the night of their mutual confession he never saw the queen. She lived but a few months and died gazing on the picture of her heart's idol.

Of the embassador little is known save that a monk of the order of La Trappe requested when dying that masses might be said regularly for his soul and the soul of her who presented to him that small filigree cross.—New York News.

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THE QUEEN'S ORDERS

Sutherland was a famous hound, named from the English banker who presented him to the empress of Russia. This dog came near causing the most tragical mistake that has occurred within the memory of financiers.

"Sir," said a valet one morning, entering the chamber of the Mr. Sutherland who gave the dog to the empress; "sir, your house is surrounded by guards and the director of the police is requesting to see you."

"What does he want?" cried the banker.

"I know nothing, sir," replied the valet, "but it appears to be an affair of importance."

"Show him in."

The valet departed and reappeared in a few moments, conducting Mr. Reliew, whom the banker at a glance perceived to be the bearer of formidable news. He began:

"Sir, you must believe how very deeply I am grieved at having been chosen by my gracious sovereign to accomplish an order whose severity afflicts me, though it has undoubtedly been provoked by a great crime."

"By a great crime!" cried the banker. "Who has committed the crime?"

"You, sir, since to you the punishment attaches."

"Sir, I am a naturalized Russian, as you know, and I swear to you that our sovereign might search my conscience to its depths without discovering any subject of complaint in my actions or thoughts."

"Your being a naturalized Russian is what makes your situation so terrible. If you had remained a British subject, you might now have claimed the protection of the English minister and thus, perhaps, have escaped from a rigorous command, which I am charged to execute."

"Will you inform me what it is?"

"My dear sir, I shall never have courage to tell you."

"Have I lost the favor of her majesty?"

"Oh, that it were but that!"

"Indeed! Does she contemplate sending me back to England?"

"England is your own country, and that punishment would not be so severe."

"Good heavens, you frighten me! Siberia?"

"Siberia, sir, is a delightful country that has been caluminated. You might return from there."

"Am I condemned to a prison?"

"A prison you might escape from."

"The knout?"

"The knout is painful, but the knout does not destroy life."

"My God!" cried Sutherland. "Am I to die?"

"And what a death!"

"What? Is it not enough to kill me without trial? Has more been ordered?"

"Alas, yes!"

"Well, speak, sir. I am a man and have some courage. Speak!"

"My dear sir, if the command had not been given to myself, I never would have believed it. You are to be flayed alive."

The poor banker uttered a groan of agony.

"What you tell me is incredible. You must have lost your reason."

"No; I have not, though I certainly shall lose it during the operation."

"But is it possible that you, who have a hundred times called yourself my friend, could receive such an order without attempting to make her majesty comprehend its barbarity?"

"I did what I could. I besought her majesty to relinquish the project, or at least to charge some one else with the execution of it, till she grew angry and answered me in that tone which you must have heard and that admits of no reply."

"And then?"

"Then," said the director of police, "I went in search of a skilled naturalist, who stuffs birds for the Academy of Sciences, because, since the thing must be done, I wished it to be performed in the best possible manner."

"And did the wretch consent to do it?"

"He referred me to his colleague, who skins and prepares monkeys, on account of the great resemblance between the human and the monkey."

"Well?"

"He is waiting."

"Waiting? Is it to be done this instant?"

"Her majesty's orders admit of no delay."

"But you will give me time to write a note to the empress?"

"I fear that I cannot."

"It is a last favor. Grant it, I entreat you."

"Very well, write."

The director of police called a lieutenant of the guard, to whom he intrusted Sutherland's letter and ordered him to return immediately with the answer. Ten minutes afterward he brought back an order to conduct the banker to the palace.

A carriage was at the door. Sutherland entered it with the lieutenant by his side and in five minutes more found himself at the Hermitage and in the presence of the empress, who received him with a burst of laughter.

Unable to conjecture the cause of her mirth, he threw himself at her feet.

"Mercy, madam," he said, "or at least tell me by what crime I have merited such a horrible punishment!"

"My dear Sutherland," said the queen, "you have nothing in the world to do with all this."

"I? But who, then, does it concern?"

"The dog that you gave me and who died yesterday. In my desire to preserve some memorial of him I sent for that stupid Reliew and said to him, 'Let Sutherland's skin be instantly stripped off.'

"When he hesitated, I supposed he despised the commission and, becoming angry, I sent him away without further explanation."

"Madam," replied the banker, "you may boast of a faithful servant in your director of police, but in future I entreat you to explain more fully the orders which you give him, for he will surely execute them to the letter."—Exchange.

Humiliated.

She was a well dressed young woman, who looked haughtily upon her fellow beings in the crowded cable car and seemed to marvel at the class who could habitually patronize that plebian mode of conveyance. Those who noticed her scornfully inquiring air resented it, but not until the transfer station was reached did they have their revenge. The well dressed young woman had taken her transfer slip and crammed it into her card case absentmindedly. When she boarded the second car and the conductor demanded her ticket, she was for a moment at a loss to remember what she had done with it. Then remembering, she drew it forth, handed it to the waiting collector of fares and looked scornfully about her. He gave a look at the slip she had offered him and returned it, remarking loudly:

"Pawn tickets don't go on this line."

The haughty young woman had lost something of her Vere de Vere air by the time she had made the correction in her fare, and the plebeians who habitually patronize the cable roads were smiling happily at her.—New York Journal.

Documentary Evidence.

"If I ever have a daughter she shall be taught to speak every known language, but not to write one," declares John Drew in "The Squire of Dames."

The average parent does not half appreciate the necessity of pointing out to his daughter the dangers that may arise from the too free use of her pen. Men are taught in their business life to be careful what they put on paper, and this same caution ought to be part of every girl's education. One prudent New York society woman, who has enjoyed life to the full, is very fond of saying, "My motto has always been, 'Avoid documentary evidence.' "—New York Journal.

Grape treaders in Portugal, who tread out the juice with their bare feet, get 50 cents a day, a high rate, as they claim the juice is apt to make the feet sore.

Be careful in lighting a gas stove to see that all the burners are lit; otherwise you will suffer.

Cripple

The iron grasp of scrofula has no mercy upon its victims. This demon of the blood is often not satisfied with causing dreadful sores, but racks the body with the pains of rheumatism until Hood's Sarsaparilla cures.

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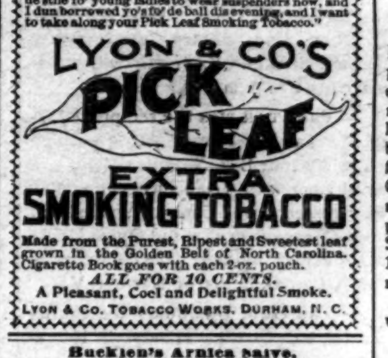
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take Hood's Sarsaparilla. Soon appetite came back; the sores commenced to heal. My limbs straightened out and I threw away my crutches. I am now stout and hearty and am farming, whereas four years ago I was a cripple. I gladly recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla." URBAN HAMMOND, Table Grove, Illinois.

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	6	@	7
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¼
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	4½	@	4¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	4½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each		@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	23	@	24
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	
Northern	23	@	
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	40	@	42½
Virginia Meal	40	@	42½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	1 00
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	9	@	10
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream	11	@	12
State		@	10
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	10	@	16
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—℔ dozen		@	20
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00	@	3 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75	@	6 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	3 35	@	3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—			
Low grade		@	3 75
Choice		@	4 50
Straight	5 00	@	5 25
First Patent	5 50	@	5 75
GLUE—℔ ℔—	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White	42½	@	45
Corn, cargo, in bulk—White	40	@	42½
Corn, cargo, in bags—White	40	@	42½
Oats, from store	30	@	32½
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow Peas	45	@	50
HIDES, ℔ ℔—			
Green		@	6
Dry		@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔s—			
Eastern		@	1 05
Western		@	90
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	2	@	2½
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5½	@	6¼
North Carolina	6	@	10
LIME ℔ barrel		@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ℔ M feet—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
New Crop Cuba, in hhds		@	22
" " " in bbls		@	23
Porto Rico, in hhds	27	@	29
" in bbls		@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	12	@	14
" " in bbls	14	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	13	@	
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis		@	2 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	9 00	@	9 25
Rump		@	9 75
Prime		@	8 75
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	65
Lisbon		@	
American		@	65
On 125 ℔ Sacks	40	@	45
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 50	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Granu		@	4¾
Standard A		@	4½
White, Ex. C		@	4⅜
Extra C, Golden	4	@	4¼
C. Yellow		@	3⅞
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¼	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	8 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	4 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary		@	8 00
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	5	@	
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, January 5

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market opened steady at 25 cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 24½ cents for country casks. Closed firm at 25½ and 25 cents; but sales small on account of light receipts.

ROSIN.—Market firm at $1 45 per bbl for Strained and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market quiet at $1 00 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Dull. Hard 1.40. Yellow Dip 1 90 and Virgin 1.80 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 28@27½c; rosin, strained, $1 30; good strained $1 35; tar $0 90; crude turpentine $1 10, 1 40, 1 80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	57
Rosin	63
Tar	106
Crude Turpentine	4

Receipts same day last year—66 casks spirits turpentine, 823 bbls rosin, 91 bbls tar, 49 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6⅝c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4¼	cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	5⅜	" "
Low Middling	6⅛	" "
Middling	6⅝	" "
Good Middling	6 15-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7½c.

Receipts—201 bales; same day last year, 886.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@50c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 55c; Fancy, 60@65c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 60@65c; Fancy, 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 38 to 40 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 11½c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.50 to 3.50; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 7.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, January 5—Evening.—Money on call to-day was easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan at 1½ per cent, closing offered at 1½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 per cent. Sterling exchange was steady, with actual business in bankers bills 483½@483¾ for sixty days; 486¼@486½ for demand. Commercial bills 482½@483½. Government bonds steady; United States coupon fours 111; United States twos 95½; State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 100; North Carolina sixes 120. Railroad bonds firmer.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to day was quiet.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, January 5—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling 7 1-16c.

Cotton futures—market closed steady; January 6 89, February 6 85, March 6 93 April 6 99, May 7 05, June 7 11, July 7 15, August 7 17, September 6 91, October 6 93, November 6 94. Sales 117,300 bales.

Cotton—net receipts 1,459 bales; gross 6,218 bales; exports to Great Britain 5,314 bales; to France 1,362 bales; to the Continent 2,856 bales; forwarded 1,530 bales; sales 1,055 bales; sales to spinners 55 bales; stock 291,293 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 30,981 bales; exports to Great Britain 17,677 bales; to France 1,362 bales; to the Continent 27,125 bales; stock 1,244,808 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts 89,780 bales; exports to Great Britain 45,548 bales; to France 1 362 bales; to the Continent 27,125 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 5,004 196 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,943,123 bales; exports to France 421,036 bales; exports to the Continent 1,418,053 bales.

Flour steady and prices unchanged; Southern quiet, steady and unchanged; common to fair extra $3 00@3 55; good to choice $3 55@3 85. Wheat—spot active for export at lower prices; free on board 99⅛⅜; ungraded red 80@99⅛c; options opened firm at ⅛@⅜c advance, declined 1@1⅛c, rallied 1⅛@1⅛c, and closed firm at ⅝@⅞c under yesterday, with a light business. No. 2 red January 91⅞c; March 93⅞c; May 89⅞c; July 85⅞. Corn—spot dull and firm; No. 2 29⅛c at elevator and 30⅛c afloat; options were dull and steady at ⅛c decline; January 29⅛c; May 31⅝c; July 32⅞c. Oats—spot active for export and firmer; options dull and easier; January 22⅛c; February 23⅞c; May 23⅝c; spot prices—No. 2, 22c; No. 2 white 24⅛c; mixed Western 22@24c. Pork steady; new mess $8 25 @8 75. Butter quiet and easy; State dairy 10@16c; do. creamery 14@19c. Western creamery —c; Elgins 20c. Eggs—market firm; State and Pennsylvania 19@21c; ice house 14@15c; Western fresh 18@19c; do. per case $1 50 @3 30; Southern 17½@18½c; limed 14 @15c. Cotton seed oil dull nominal; Rice firm and unchanged. Molasses quiet and unchanged. Peanuts quiet; picked 3⅜@4c. Coffee firm and 5@15 points up: January $9 80; March $10 00@10 05; May $10 00@10 10; July $10 10@10 15; September $10 15@10 25, December $10 25@10 30; spot Rio quiet and firm; No. 7 $10 25. Sugar—raw active; fair refining 2⅞c; centrifugals, 96 test 3⅛c; refined unchanged.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Cash quotations: Flour dull but firm at quotations; hard wheat spring patents $4 35@4 65 in wood, soft wheat patents $4 15@4 30, hard wheat bakers' $3 00@3 30 in sacks; soft wheat bakers' $3 00@3 20; winter winter wheat $4 40@4 60 in wood. Wheat—No. 2 spring 79⅛@80⅛c; No. 2 red 88⅞@90⅛c. Corn—No 2 23@23⅛c Oats—No. 2 —c. Mess pork, $7 60 @7 65. Lard, $3 80@3 82½. Short rib sides, loose, $3 30@3 90. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 25@4 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $3 87½@4 00. Whiskey $1 18.

The leading futures ranged as follows opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—January 80@80⅛, 80⅛, 79⅛, 80; May 83⅞@84, 84⅛, 82⅝@82⅝, 83⅛@83⅜c; July 79⅝@79⅝, 79⅝, 78⅛, 78⅜@78⅛c. Corn—January 23, 23, 23, 23c; May 25⅝, 25⅝@25⅝, 25⅛, 25⅝c; July 26⅛@26⅝, 26⅝, 26⅝, 26⅛c. Oats—January 16⅛, 16⅛, 16, 16⅛c; May 19⅜, 19⅜@19⅛, 19⅛, 19⅛c. Pork—January $7 52½, 7 60, 7 52½, 7 60; May $7 82½, 7 85, 7 80. Lard—January $3 80, 3 80, 3 77½, 3 80; May $3 97½, 4 00, 395, 4 00. Short ribs—January $3 82½, 3 87½, 3 82½, 3 87½; May $3 97½, 4 00, 3 95, 3 95.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 5.—Flour quiet, steady and unchanged. Wheat weak; spot 93⅝@93⅞c; May 89⅝@89⅞c; Southern by sample 95@96c; do on grade 90½@94½c. Corn quiet and easy; spot and January 27⅛@27⅝c; February 27⅞@28c; March 28⅛@28⅛c; April 29⅛@29⅛c, Steamer mixed 25⅝@25⅞c; Southern corn 23⅛@28⅛c. Oats quiet and steady: No. 2 white 25@26c; No. 2 mixed 21@22c.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

January 5—Galveston, steady at 6 13-16, net receipts — bales; Norfolk, steady at 6⅝, net receipts 4 095 bales; Baltimore, nomial at 7, net receipts —— bales; Boston, dull at 7⅛, net receipts 606 bales; Wilmington, firm at 6⅝, receipts 201 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 7 5-16c, net receipts 1,158 bales; Savannah, quiet at 6 9-16, net receipts 4,278 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 6⅝, net receipts 10,368 bales; Mobile, steady at 6 11-16, net receipts 1,329 bales; Memphis, nominal at 6⅝, net receipts 658 bales; Augusta, steady at 6 13-16 net receipts 150 bales; Charleston, firm at 6 9-16 bid, net receipts 383 bales

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 5—12.30 P. M.—Cotton, demand fair and prices easier. American middling 1 324d. Sales 10,000 bales, of which 9,300 were American; speculation and export 500. Receipts 55,000 bales, of which 50 300 were American. Futures opened easy and demand moderate. January 3 56-64d; January and February 3 56 64@3 55 64d; February and March 3 56-64d; March and April 3 56 64@3 55 64d; April and May 3 57-64d; May and June 3 57-64d; June and July 3 58-64d; July and August 3 59 64@3 58-64d; August and September 3 58 64@3 57-64d. Futures quiet.

12.45 P. M.—American spot grades 1-16d lower. American middling fair 4 11-32d; good middling 4 1-16d; middling 3 31-32d; low middling 3 27 32d; good ordinary 3 23 32d; ordinary 3 17 32d.

4 P. M.—January 3 55 64@3 56 64d buyer; January and February 3 55-64d seller; February and March 3 55 64d value; March and April 3 55 64d buyer; April and May 3 56 64d seller; May and June 3 56 64@3 57-64d buyer; June and July 3 57 64d buyer; July and August 3 58-64d seller; August and September 3 56 64@3 57-64d buyer. Futures quiet but steady.

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Jacob S Winslow, 865 tons, Henley, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Jno R Fell, 347 tons, Abraham, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

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To love there is no end.

That warrior carved an empire with his sword.
The empire now is but like him—a name.
That statesman spoke, and by a burning word
Kindled a nation's heart into a flame.
Now naught is left but ashes, and we bring
Our homage to new men; to them we bend.
There is an end to all but one sweet thing—
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All beauty fades away, or else, alas!
Men's eyes grow dim, and they no beauty see.
The glorious shows of nature pass and pass.
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And he who hears the voice of welcoming
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—All the Year Round.

NEW JERSEY'S OLDEST HOUSE.

Built at Lyons Farms by the Original Meeker Who Left Connecticut.

The old Meeker house, at Lyons Farms, is claimed by that family to be the oldest house in New Jersey—not one of the oldest, but the oldest. It is now occupied by William Gummon, who is a lineal descendant of the original Meeker, who held his patent from the crown.

There is an amusing incident connected with this patriarch which gave rise to the building of the house in question. He was originally of the Connecticut colony, and, being the owner of a small sloop, his fishing excursions sometimes extended far into the Sabbath day. This did not meet with the ideas of those days, so he was fined several times, and more severe punishment was threatened if he did not attend divine worship regularly and cease his labors on the Lord's day.

But one dark night Meeker placed all his goods on board his boat and sailed away. He settled in New Jersey and there erected the house which still stands. The precise year in which it was built is not known, but one of Mr. Gummon's ancestors was born there in 1677.

The roof of this curious old farmhouse has been renewed many times, but the side walls of cedar shingles remain as they were put on by the old man, with hand wrought nails, more than two centuries ago and are yet in very fair condition. Inside some rooms are wainscoted with tulip poplar. The ceilings are low. The double doors still swing on the strap hinges which first held them in position, while other surroundings are in strict keeping with the antiquated appearance of the place.

Beside the well sweep stands a large stone, hollowed out like a basin, in which many generations have cleansed their hands and faces at the well after the fashion of former times.—New York Herald.

Cork Pavement.

The various discouragements which some of the European cities have met with in securing satisfactory street pavements have led to somewhat extensive and, it would appear, encouraging experiments with what is called cork pavement, from the fact that cork is the most prominent and essential ingredient in the amalgam of which it is composed. The pavement used in Vienna consists of granulated cork mixed with mineral asphalt and other cohesive substances, compressed into blocks of suitable size and form. Among the numerous advantages set forth in its behalf are cleanliness, noiselessness, durability, elasticity, freedom from slipperiness, whether wet or dry, and moderate cost. Unlike wood, too, it is nonabsorbent and consequently inodorous. It presents the minimum resistance to traction, and being elastic under passing loads does away with the vibration caused by heavy teaming. The blocks are imbedded in tar and rest upon a concrete base six inches thick. When taken up for examination, they have exhibited, when compared with new ones, a reduced thickness by wear of less than one-eighth inch, this in the case of a section of a London street leading to the Great Eastern railway station, subjected to continuous heavy traffic, the blocks having been in use nearly two years.

No Time to Tie Shoes.

At one of the large thread factories, where some hundreds of girls are employed, a rule has been made that they shall wear only buttoned shoes. It was found that those who wore the other sort stopped their work a number of times each day to tie the laces that constantly came undone. In the case of one girl the minutes lost would not have been of any great consequence, but when it came to deducting the same amount of time for each of the 200 or 300 it was found that the daily loss was considerable.—New York Journal.

Saw the Tickets Were Used.

Miss Prim—You didn't bring your little girls to the Sunday school entertainment.

Mrs. Fussy—No, I didn't dare to. There's so much measles and scarlet fever around, you know. But the tickets were not wasted.

"No?"

"No; I gave them to the little boy next door."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Here is an excellent method of removing grease spots from a waxed floor: Pour spirits of turpentine on the spot and give it time to soak into the wood. Then cover with powdered talc and press with a warm but not very hot iron. The talc will absorb the grease. Brush off and polish the place anew with wax.

The surest pleasures lie within the circle of useful occupation. Mere pleasure, sought outside of usefulness, is fraught with poison.—Beecher.

A DEWDROP'S STORY.

Did it ever occur to you that a drop of dew could have a story to tell or a strange experience to relate? Listen, and, small as I am, I will tell you a story which I know to be true.

About ten years ago I first visited this beautiful meadow. What! Did you know that I am as old as that? Oh, dear, yes, and a great deal older! But let me tell you my story.

I wakened one beautiful morning to find myself swinging in a hammock formed by a fresh blade of grass which grew on the bank of this same little stream. The sun was just peeping over the hills, and the morning was cool and delightful. The breeze swung my hammock gently, and I lay half dreaming I was still in cloudland when I heard the voices of children just below me on the bank. I wakened at once and listened, for the children and I are always friends, and I never tell their secrets—except to other children like you.

"And Willie," a little girl's voice was saying, "he sent his picture with the letter, and he looks just splendid."

"And he is coming tomorrow, you said," came in a boy's voice and in a disconsolate tone quite in contrast to the eager speech of his companion.

I peeped over the edge of my grass leaf and discovered a girl and a boy of perhaps 10 and 12 years, just seating themselves on the grass a short distance down the stream. The girl's hair and eyes were dark, and the latter shone with pleasure at the news she was imparting. The boy was lighter, and there was a troubled look about his hazel eyes—a look which I thought the girl saw and rather enjoyed.

"Yes, Cousin Harry is coming tomorrow and will probably stay and go to school here next term."

"But, Bessie, you will let me carry your books for you sometimes after he comes? I can't quite bear to give that up." His look was tender as well, so I peeped over just to see, when—I leaned too far, lost my balance and rolled off the end of my grass blade into the stream below.

The water swallowed me up and hurried me on, and much as I wished to hear Bessie's answer I felt sure that I never, never should.

I soon forgot my disappointment, however, in my enjoyment of the wild frolic I was having over the stones with the many companion drops which made up the stream. Many days we danced on over the pebbles and by the grassy banks were the wild flowers grew and bent to kiss us as we passed. Other little streams joined us from time to time and when we finally reached a large city the stream had become so many times larger than when I tumbled in that people spoke of us as a river. To such dignity had we attained.

On and on we went until we came to the beautiful wide ocean, and then in its great depths our river was swallowed up as I had been in the little stream. At first I was afraid! Funny, wasn't it, that I should be afraid of the ocean when it was just made up of little drops like myself? But there seemed such a great crowd of them that I could not realize that I was just as important as any other drop, and so for awhile I kept feeling scared and wondering what was going to happen to me.

One day I found myself right down at the bottom of the ocean, and I wish I could tell you all the wonderful things I saw there. I can't begin to, but it was much more interesting than anything I had ever seen upon the land. There were the most beautiful shells and pieces of coral and sponges. And there were fishes of all kinds and some of them looked pretty ugly, I tell you. It makes me tremble yet to think of them—but some of them were as beautiful as any flower that grows up here on the earth.

Well, after a long time I reached the top of the ocean again and as I lay there tossing, tossing in the light breeze and looking up at the glorious sun, I suddenly had the strangest feeling as though I was light as air and I seemed to be going up, up, up. You may imagine I wondered what was happening to me then, for though I had had some queer experiences I couldn't remember ever feeling like that before. As soon as I became composed enough to look around I discovered to my amazement that I was far above the ocean and floating about on a cloud—in fact, that I was part of a cloud. It was delightful as soon as I became used to it.

At times we floated idly about, enjoying the scenery below us and the warm sunshine above. At other times a sharp breeze would strike us, and we would scud along like the wind itself. Some of these rides were very exciting. We could see below us the great trees bending, sometimes breaking in the storm, and the rain drenching everything as it fell. After some time spent in this delightful cloud life we were suddenly chilled one night by a cold wind which seemed to almost freeze us. At the same time I felt myself beginning to fall. Down and down I went, when, behold! I found myself alighting in this very meadow, almost on the spot where I had swung in my hammock so many years ago. To complete my surprise, I heard a voice down by the bank of the stream saying, "And, Bessie, I have thought of you all these years, and it is the thought of you that has brought me back."

"Oh, Will!" was all the answer I heard.

Once more I peeped over "just to see." Yes; surely they were the same, only grown to young man and woman hood.

"And may I take you with me when I go back again?" Will asked, and his voice had the same wistful tone I remembered so well. And Bessie, very sweet and very rosy, answered, "Yes."

And then he slipped on her finger a beautiful pearl ring, and I do believe it was the very same pearl that I saw at the bottom of the ocean and wished so much to possess, but really this was better than to have it for myself.

I watched them as they wandered down the stream. Then they turned as they came nearer, and I heard Bessie ask, "Do you remember Cousin Harry, Will?"

"I think I do," he answered, and I laughed to myself at the tone in which he said it.

"We had a letter from him yesterday, and he is coming to visit us. It is ten years since he was here, and"—a bright little blush—"and he will be here for our wedding."

And wasn't it queer that after all those years I should have heard Bessie's answer?—Julia D. Cowles in Brooklyn Eagle.

Too Precocious Child.

A South Side architect has a small son who is very bright. The youngster's latest fad is punching colored paper with the fancy shape steel punches conductors use. The architect had just finished a series of blue paper drawings which represented many days' labor, and the next morning went cheerfully to get them from his study. He never got farther than the door, for on the floor sat his son and heir in a floating sea of blue paper stars, crosses and crescents.

"Ain't they pretty?" calmly remarked the infant. "I'se just finishing the last sheet. Want some more."

He did not get more. He received something else.—Chicago News.

It Stops the Crying.

To keep babies from crying an ingenious device is resorted to in India. The moment a child begins to cry the mother places her hand over its mouth and nips its nose so that it cannot breathe. Then it is allowed to breathe freely again, but should it make use of the opportunity to again set up a howl it is at once suppressed in the same way. This is repeated till the baby imagines that the painful stoppage of the breath is caused by its own effort to scream, and so is careful to keep quiet. It is needless to say that this method will scarcely be adopted by doting American mothers.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Gifts on Purim.

The custom of sending gifts on Purim to friends is honored today more in the breach than in the observance and is one that can easily be restored. Those who could not give much would send a trifle, something of their own handiwork preferably, and many a charitably disposed person would, under cover of this custom, send a gift of money to a friend who would feel hurt to be a beneficiary under other circumstances. The custom reflects the tact of the Jew in benevolence.—American Hebrew.

A WARNING.

At 10 o'clock in the forenoon the valley suddenly narrowed until we had no choice but to take the path leading between two fir crowned ridges. We had sighted Indians the day before, but the night had passed without an alarm and the morning had slipped along without sight of a warrior. Had the savages figured it out that the 50 of us guarding the 10 wagons of clothing and provisions were too strong for them and that our keeping so well closed up and on the alert made the capture of stragglers impossible?

"Halt!" came the word from the head of the column, and two men were sent ahead to spy out the lay of the land. They found the path only wide enough for the wagons, leading downward and away until it crossed a creek and was lost in the gloom beyond. Not a bird sang from the branches; not a rabbit skurried away in alarm. There was the silence of death along the path. Foot by foot, with ears bent forward and nostrils dilating, the horses of the scouts moved on and their riders had the vigilance of men whose lives might be snuffed out at any moment.

No danger along the path—no danger lurking at the crossing of the creek. So the scouts reported as they returned to the column, and the captain had just opened his lips to give the order to march when a wolf came running up the path and dashed through the column. There was fire in his eyes, but yet his tail was down.

"Skeered!" whispered an old veteran, "and by Injuns at that! That wolf has bin turned out of his lair by the reds!"

"An ambush down thar to wipe us out!" whispered a second.

The captain shaded his eyes with his hand and peered down the path for a moment. Then he quietly said:

"Turn the wagons about and keep to the east till we strike another path! Don't hurry—don't shout! Corporal French, strike up 'Dixie's Land,' and you boys all join in the chorus!"

In five minutes we were out of the mouth of the gorge and marching away to the east on the level plain again, and as we marched every trooper sang the chorus of the lively song at the top of his voice.

"What was it? What did the captain see down there?" was asked from man to man.

The captain saw nothing. He was obeying an instinct—one of those premonitions which sometimes stop a man in time to prevent a terrible tragedy. The men jested and sang, but now and then one looked back over his shoulder and gave the lie to the jest on his lips. No one had seen anything—no one had heard anything. Miles away they found a safer if longer road, and the fort was reached at last without sight of an Indian. Around the mess table they joked the captain for backing out of the gorge and adding miles to his journey.

"All on account of a scared wolf!" laughed one.

"And scared at his own shadow at that!" added a second.

The captain had no reply, but to himself he wondered if he had not been overcautious. It was months later when a captive squaw told him a tale. All night long, as the wagon guard lay sleeping, the hostile Indians were coming in by dozens and scores going into ambush along the creek. They had dug rifle pits, they had piled up logs and stones; they were hidden under the cedars, until over 300 of them lay waiting with bated breath for the train to enter the trap.

When the last wagon and the last trooper should have passed a certain spot, the signal was to be given to open fire. Three hundred jets of flame—300 bullets seeking living targets! There would not have been 20 troopers left alive after that first volley. At the end of five minutes every man would have been dead and the red demons screaming with glee as they twisted off their scalps. A frightened wolf betrayed the ambush. The train took another route and was saved. For an hour or more the Indians watched and waited, none daring to move for fear of betraying his presence. At last all realized that their game had escaped from the trap, and sullenly and noiselessly the 300 moved down the path, up the rise, into the cedars, where their ponies were herded, and, without shout or curse or sound to be heard, ten yards away, they mounted and rode away, and the ridges hid them from view.—Detroit Free Press.

She Had Her Innings.

A restless little maiden of 5 or 6 came into an elevated car the other morning, accompanied by her mother, and sat down in one of the cross seats directly opposite another small girl and her mother. The first child fidgeted about for several moments, much to the discomfort of her companion, who finally said:

"Now, Bessie, do try and sit still. See how nicely that little girl opposite behaves. Why don't you do as she does?"

This suggestion seemed to find favor with Bessie, who from that moment began to imitate every movement of the other child, much to the latter's embarrassment and greatly to the amusement of the two mothers. Presently the good little girl, who was kneeling upon the seat, lost her balance and fell off. As she tearfully picked herself up the other child remarked to her mother:

"I guess she had better do like me for a while now!"—New York Advertiser.

Mr. Gladstone as a Linguist.

French has never been a favorite tongue with Mr. Gladstone. Italian, on the other hand, he delights in speaking and has a command of it which has often astonished even cultured Italians.

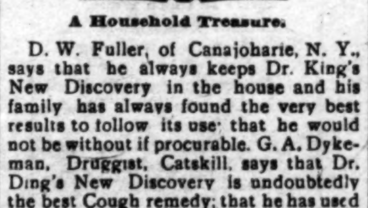
Thus on one occasion Mr. Gladstone met a former Italian embassador at the house of a Somerset squire. The embassador being a man of wide literary interests, he and Mr. Gladstone were soon deep in a discussion of Italian literary and theological subjects and walked for hours together up and down the country roads absorbed in their subject.

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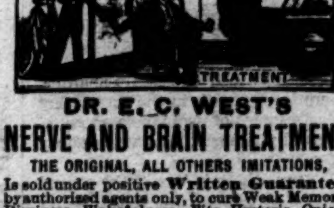
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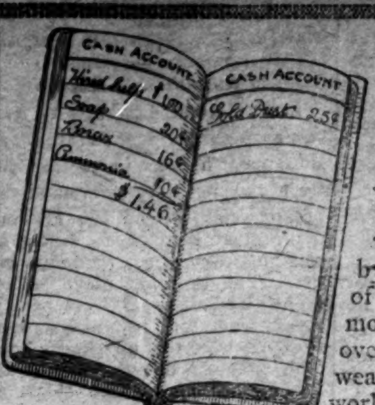
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NORTH BOUND		STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND	
*6	†8		†7	*5
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
	3 00	Lv...Mulberry street...Ar	12 40	
7 00	3 10	Lv...Surry street...Ar	12 30	3 25
9 50		Ar...Jacksonville...Lv		12 05
11 00	3 38	Lv " Ar	10 43	10 25
11 58	4 30	Lv...Maysville...Lv	10 09	9 18
12 30	4 44	Lv...Pollocksville...Lv	9 55	8 50
1 30	5 25	Ar...Newbern...Lv	9 20	8 00
	P M		A M	

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J. W. MARTENIS,
Traffic Manager. my 23 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.



SCHEDULE IN EFFECT DEC. 13, 1896.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY 9.35 A M — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 10.50 a m, Warsaw 11.11 a m, Goldsboro 12.01 a m, Wilson 12.48 p m, Rocky Mount 1.20 p m, Tarboro 2.50 p m, Weldon 3.39 p m, Petersburg 5.28 p m, Richmond 6.40 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m, Baltimore 12.53 p m, Philadelphia 3.45 a m, New York 6.53 a m, †Boston 3.30 p m.

DAILY 7.15 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.06 p m, †Tarboro 6.45 a m, Rocky Mount 11.55 p m, Weldon 1.44 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 3.22 a m, Richmond 4.20 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.25 a m, New York 2.03 p m, Boston 8.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 3.25 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.32 p m, Chadbourn 5.04 p m, Marion 6.05 p m, Florence 6.45 p m, Sumter 8.27 p m, Columbia 9.50 p m, Denmark 6.20 a m, Augusta 8.00 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.20 p m, Savannah 12.50 a m, Jacksonville 7.00 a m. St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 4 35 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave *Boston 1.03 p m, New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.50 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.50 a m, Tarboro 12.12 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 2.12 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.02 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 9.30 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12.03 a m, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.25 p m, Weldon 9.44 p m, †Tarboro 6.05 p m, Rock Mount 5.40 a m, leave Wilson 6.15 a m, Goldsboro 7.00 a m, Warsaw 7.51 a m, Magnolia 8.03 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 7.40 a m, Sanford 1.45 p m, Jacksonville 7 10 p m Savannah 12.10 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 5.50 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 9.00 a m, Augusta 2.25 p m, Denmark 4.37 p m, Sumter 7.12 a m, Florence 8.55 a m, Marion 9.34 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.06 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Halifax 4.28 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.20 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7 55 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7 20 a m, Greenville 8.22 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 00a m, Weldon 11.20 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Parmele 8.50 a m and 3 40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9.50 a m and 6 30 p m, arrives Washington 11 25 a m and 7.20 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily at 5.30 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.40 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily at 7.30 a m., Arrive Tarboro 9.50 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7 10 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 8.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10 25 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.20 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.10 a m and 9.15 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 3.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9 10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9 42 a m, Rowland 10 00 a m., returning leaves Rowland 5 38 p m, arrives Dillon 5.56 p m, Latta 6.09 p m, Pee Dee 6.30 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.00 p m, leave Conway 2 25 p m, Chadbourn 5.20 p m, arrive Hub 6.00 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence 8 53 a m, 9 40 a m and 8 00 p m, arrive Darlington 9 28 a m, 10 20 a m and 8 30 p m, leave Darlington 9 31 a m and 10 40 a m, arrive Cheraw 10 40 a m and 12 30 p m, leave Cheraw 12 45 p m, arrive Wadesboro 2 25 p m, Returning leave Wadesboro 3 p m, arrive Cheraw 4 45 p m, leave Cheraw 4 45 p m and 5 15 p m arrive Darlington 7.10 p m and 6 23 p m. Leave Darlington 7 45 p m, 6 27 and 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8.40 p m, 6 55 p m and 8 15 a m. Daily except Sunday. Sunday trains leave Floyds 7 30 a m, Darlington 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8 10 a m. Returning leave Florence 9 a m, Darlington 9 30 a m, arrive Floyds 9 40 a m. Trains leave Gibson 6.15 a m, Bennettsville 6 41 a m, arrive Darlington 7.40 a m. Sumter 9 25 a m. Returning, leave Sumter 6 45 p m, Darlington 8 35 p m, arrive Bennettsville 9 26 p m, Gibson 9 50 p m.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 37 p m, Manning 6.58 p m, arrive Lane's 7 37 p m, leave Lanes 8.26 a m, Manning 9.05 a m. arrive Sumter 9.35 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7 10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 8.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.25 a m, 5.25 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.16 p m, arrive Selma 2.50 p m, Smithfield 2.58 p m, Dunn 3.35 p m, Fayetteville 4.15 p m. 1.07 a m, Rowland 5.38 p m, returning leave Rowland 10 00 a m, Fayetteville 11.20 a m, 10.20 p m, Dunn 12.07 a m, Smithfield 12.48 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.42 p m, 12.10 p m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4 20 a m, Creston 5 2: a m, arrive Denmark 6 20 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4 37 p m, Creston 5 32 p m, Sumter 6 30 p m Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9 15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m, arrives Creston 3 50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.35 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.35 p m, Returning leave Lucknow 6 05 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Elliot 8 25 a m and 3.30 p m.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

H. M. EMERSON,
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J. R. KENLY, Gen'l Manager.
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Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad

[Time Table.]



In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST. 3 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday.		STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday.	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 20	Goldsboro	11 25	....
....	4 12	Kinston	10 32	....
5 15	5 25	Newbern	9 17	9 30
6 37	6 42	Morehead City	8 01	8 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11 35 a. m., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p. m., and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 p. m., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 p. m. No. 1 train also connects with W. N. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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IN EFFECT NOVEMBER 15, 1896.

SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 1.	MAIN LINE.	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 2.
7 45 p. m.	Ar...Wilmington...Lv	7 10 a. m
4 25 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	11 40 "
4 18 "	Ar...Fayetteville...Lv	11 21 "
4 12 "	Ar Fayetteville Junc Lv	11 27 "
2 55 "	Lv......Sanford......Lv	1 00 p. m
12 41 "	Lv......Climax......Lv	2 50 "
12 10 "	Lv...Greensboro...Ar	3 18 "
11 55 a m	Ar...Greensboro...Lv	3 25 "
11 07 "	Lv...Stokesdale...Lv	4 10 "
10 32 "	Lv...Walnut Cove...Lv	4 40 "
10 04 "	Lv...Rural Hall...Lv	5 10 "
8 40 "	Lv......Mt Airy......Ar	6 35 "

SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 3.	Bennettsville Division.	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 4.
7 52 p m	Ar...Bennettsville...Lv	8 30 a. m.
6 17 "	Lv...Maxton...Ar	9 40 "
5 36 "	Lv...Red Springs...Lv	10 18 "
4 45 "	Lv...Hope Mills...Lv	11 01 "
4 28 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	11 19 "

SOUTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. No. 15. MIXED.	Factory and Madison Branches.	NORTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. No. 16. MIXED.
6 00 p m	Ar......Ramseur......Lv	6 45 a.
4 15 "	Lv......Climax......Lv	8 35 "
3 20 "	Lv...Greensboro...Ar	9 20 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16 MIXED. daily ex su
Leave Greensboro	9 35 a. m
Leave Stokesdale	10 17 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 15. MIXED. daily ex su
Leave Madison	12 30 p m
Leave Stokesdale	1 28 "
Arrive Greensboro	2 40 "

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At Fayetteville with the Atlantic Coast Line for all points North and East, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk & Western R. R. for Winston Salem.

SOUTH-BOUND CONNECTIONS

At Walnut Cove with the Norfolk & Western Railroad for Roanoke and points North and West, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company for Raleigh, Richmond and all points North and East, at Fayetteville with the Atlantic Coast Line for all points South, at Maxton with the Seaboard Air Line for Charlotte, Atlanta and all points South and Southwest.

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WEST AND SOUTH.

APRIL 5th, 1896.		No. 41	No. 403
		P. M.	A. M.
Leave Wilmington,	S. A. L.	* 3 20	
Arrive Maxton	"	6 12	
Arrive Hamlet	"	6 55	
Leave Hamlet	"	7 15	* 9 10
Arrive Wadesboro	"	8 01	9 52
Arrive Monroe	"	8 55	10 40
Leave Monroe	"	9 10	10 45
Arrive Charlotte	"	10 20	11 35
			P. M.
Arrive Lincolnton	"		12 55
Arrive Shelby	"		1 50
Arrive Rutherfordton	"		3 00
		A. M.	
Leave Hamlet	S. A. L.	† 9 25	
Arrive Osborne	"	9 50	
" Kollock	"	10 25	
" Cheraw	"	10 40	
			P. M.
Leave Cheraw	S. A. L.		† 5 30
" Kollock	"		5 50
" Osborne	"		6 25
Arrive Hamlet	"		6 50
		P. M.	
Leave Wilmington	S. A. L.	* 3 20	—
			A. M.
" Monroe	"	9 05	*10 45
Arrive Chester	"	10 32	12 03
			P. M.
" Clinton	"	11 58	1 20
		A. M.	
" Greenwood	"	1 00	2 33
" Abbeville	"	1 32	3 03
" Elberton	"	2 36	4 00
" Athens	"	3 38	5 10
" Atlanta	"	5 20	6 45
Leave Atlanta	A. & W. P.	5 35	
Ar Montgomery	West of Ala.	10 45	
		P. M.	
Arrive Mobile	L. & N.	4 10	
" New Orleans	"	* 8 30	
		A. M.	P. M.
Arrive Columbia	C. N. & L.	*10 00	* 4 30
		A. M.	P. M.
Arrive Augusta	P. R. & W. C.	† 9 35	* 5 05
			P. M.
Arrive Macon	M & N.		* 6 40

EAST AND NORTH.

APRIL 5th, 1896.		No 38	No 402
			P. M.
Leave Wilmington	S. A. L		* 3 20
Arrive Hamlet	"	A. M.	6 55
Leave Hamlet	"	* 8 15	10 35
Arrive Southern Pines	"	9 15	11 21
			A. M.
" Raleigh	"	11 26	1 21
		P. M.	
" Henderson	"	1 05	2 33
" Weldon	"	* 3 00	* 4 05
		P. M.	A. M.
Arrive Portsmouth	S. A. L	* 5 50	* 7 30
" Norfolk	"	6 00	7 50
		P. M.	A. M.
Arrive Richmond	A. C. L	* 6 40	* 6 40
" Washington	P. R. R.	11 10	10 45
		A. M.	P. M.
" Baltimore	"	12 48	12 05
" Philadelphia	"	3 45	2 20
" New York	"	* 6 53	* 4 53

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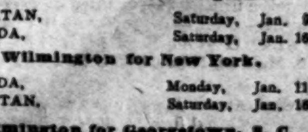
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WEDNESDAY MORNING JAN. 6, 1897

CUBANS REJOICING

Over the Landing of a Large Expedition in Aid of the Insurgents on the Coast of Cuba.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KEY WEST, FLA., Jan. 5.—Cubans in this city are enthusiastic over the reported landing of a large expedition consisting of ten hundred and forty-eight Mauser rifles, one twelve-pound field-piece, with two hundred shells, four hundred thousand rounds of ammunition, two hundred pounds of dynamite and forty men on the east coast of Cuba last Sunday night. Early this morning Col. Nunez, J. E. Cartaya and three others came into town. It is supposed they were landed from the Dauntless and it soon became known that the Cubans had received good news. Several times last week strange Cubans were seen in the city, but they almost immediately disappeared. About the same time it was rumored that the Three Friends had failed in her endeavor to land on the Cuban coast, and had landed the men and ammunition on No Name Key, where some other vessel would take them and make another attempt to land them in Cuba. The Cubans are very close-mouthed as to the locality of the landing, claiming that they expect to try another in the same place at an early date, and it would only be placing the Spanish on their guard.

SENATOR DAVID B. HILL.

Democratic Members of the Legislature of New York Petitioned Not to Vote for His Re-Nomination.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ALBANY, N. Y., January 5.—The following printed slip was circulated about the Capitol to-day among the members of the Legislature:

Resolved, That we, members of the Committee of Eight of the city of Albany, do hereby petition through our agent, Cuyler Teneyeck, the Democratic members of the Legislature of the State of New York as follows:

"Dear Sirs: Do not vote for Senator Hill; it is not a proper act that he should be honored with the nomination of his party at this time; do not desert those principles which the party so gallantly contended for at Buffalo; do not endeavor falsely to stem the tide of that would-be gold plank which fell at Chicago. It will give honor to a deserter; it will place a price on hypocrisy. Senator Hill was the main cause of throwing the party into chaos by the disgraceful nomination of Thacher, and tried hard to hold in the field after the people and his party had repudiated himself, and he had repudiated himself."

Mr. Teneyeck refused to say just who the Committee of Eight are, or who they represent.

SOUTH CAROLINA

In Better Financial Condition Than at Any Time Since the War.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 5.—The *News and Courier* will publish to-morrow a review of the industrial conditions in South Carolina at the beginning of the new year. It will be made up of special reports from nearly all the counties in the State, and the general results are most encouraging. The State is in better financial condition than at any time since the war. The merchants have made good collections, the manufacturing enterprises are in a healthy condition, the farmers have generally paid all the debts contracted in making the last crop, and have discharged a great deal of their past indebtedness. There has been a marvellous falling off in the purchase of farm supplies from outside sources, the cribs and smokehouses are fuller than they have been in years; hog and hominy are triumphant.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat, Corn and Oats Closed Lower—Pork and Ribs Higher—Lard Unchanged.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Wheat prices suffered from the selling by disconcerted bulls to-day. May wheat opened from 83⅝c to 84c, sold between 84⅛c and 83⅝@83⅞c, closed at 83⅝@83⅜c—⅝c under yesterday. Cash wheat was steady.

The corn market was in a stagnant condition. May corn opened at 35⅝c, sold between 35⅝@35⅜c and 35⅜c, closing at 35⅝c—unchanged from yesterday. Cash corn was steady to firm.

May oats closed ⅛c lower. Cash oats were firm, closing easy.

Provisions—Soon after the opening the tone became easy and prices fell away. The weakness of wheat was the influence Towards the close, on covering, there was a recovery. May pork closed 5c higher; May lard unchanged, and May ribs 2½c higher.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

New York Sun's Review of the Cotton Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—The *Sun* says: Spot cotton here declined 1-16c, with sales of 200 bales for export and 55 for spinning; 300 bales were delivered on contract. Middling uplands 7 1-16c, against 8 3-16c last year; Gulf, 7 5-16c, against 8 7-16c last year.

The speculation was dull and featureless. The fluctuations in prices were unimportant and the trading was entirely of a local character. The decline in Liverpool both for futures and spots was reflected in a lower opening here, but after fluctuating within an extremely narrow range prices recovered part of the loss. New Orleans bought here and a few local shorts covered, while there was some new buying for local account. The receipts at the ports and the interior towns were comparatively light, but in the absence of outside support prices declined.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 5.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 73½. Spirits turpentine firmer at 27½@28c.

CHARLESTON, January 5.—Spirits turpentine firm at 24½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels: A, B, C, D, E, F $1 40, G $1 45, H $1 50, I, $1 65, K $1 70, M $1 80, N $2 00, W G $2 20, W W $2 50.

SAVANNAH, January 5.—Spirits turpentine closed firm at 25½c; sales of 185 casks at 25½c, 45 casks at 26½c and 50 casks at 26¾c; receipts 668 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,878 barrels; receipts 7,116 barrels; A, B, C, D, E, F, G $1 45, H $1 65, I $1 75, K $1 80, M $1 90, N $2 00, W G $2 20, W W $2 60.

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SENATE AND HOUSE.

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Small Attendance of Members—Proceedings Uninteresting—Senator Call Introduces a Joint Resolution Demanding the Immediate Release of Jules Sanguilly, Imprisoned by the Spaniards—Peffer Makes a Speech on Financial Matters.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—There was no public interest manifested in the reassembling of the Senate to-day after the holiday recess. There were, as shown by a call of the Senate, forty-nine Senators present, only four more than the number necessary to constitute a quorum. The proceedings were as unimportant as they were uninteresting.

Mr. Peffer of Kansas, Populist, read a speech in favor of a joint resolution introduced by him on the 14th of December for the appointment of a National Monetary Commission to examine and study the general subject of finances in its practical relations to the business affairs of the people of the United States. After the speech the joint resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A memorial was presented from the Massachusetts Historical Society for the repair and preservation of the famous old frigate Constitution as a naval museum, just as Nelson's battleship Victory is preserved at Portsmouth, Eng.

A joint resolution was introduced by Mr. Call instructing the President to "demand the immediate release" of Jules Sanguilly, condemned to perpetual imprisonment for his connection with the Cuban insurrection. The matter went over until to-morrow, when Mr. Call is to address the Senate upon it.

The Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill was received from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

In the Senate to-day Mr. Hale submitted and had printed as a document, a memorandum prepared by the Department of State on the method of "recognition" of foreign Governments and foreign States by the Government of the United States from 1889 to 1897, tending to show the accuracy of Secretary Olney's contention that the recognition of foreign Governments was exclusively an Executive function, in which Congress had no part. The precedents cited were numerous.

At 2.30 o'clock the Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Only about half the members of the House were in their seats to-day when that body was called to order after the holiday recess and entered upon the bulk of the work of the last session of the Fifty-fourth Congress.

A resolution introduced by Mr. Broderick of Kansas, Republican, was agreed to, calling upon the Secretary of the Interior to report to the House the reason why patents for lands in Kansas for the old Kansas Pacific Railroad Company had not been issued to the company and why homestead entries upon the lands in question were being permitted to be made by the officers of the Topeka Land District.

By the terms of the order adopted December 19th the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the Loud bill to amend the postal laws by excluding "sample copies" and several novel publications from second-class matter, which held the floor for the rest of the day. The passage of the bill was advocated by Messrs. Kyle of Mississippi, Democrat; Burton and Bromwell of Ohio, Republicans, and Ogden of Louisiana, Democrat, and opposed by Messrs. Quigg of New York, Republican; Johnson of California, Republican, and Cummings of New York, Democrat.

At 4.40 o'clock the House adjourned until to-morrow, when the bill will be further discussed until 4 o'clock, and a vote then taken on its passage.

A CHURCH RIOT.

One Shot and Several Persons Badly Hurt by a Mob of Poles at Bay City, Michigan.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BAY CITY, MICH., Jan. 5.—The St. Stanislaus Polish church troubles, which have been agitating the communicants of that parish for more than a year, broke out afresh to-day and a riot resulted in which one man was shot and severely injured and several others badly hurt by being beaten with clubs.

The trouble started yesterday when Father Bogacki, the priest of St. Stanislaus parish, refused to celebrate mass over the remains of a member of St. Michael's Society. He also refused to give up the banner of the Society, which was in the church, and a riot was only averted at that time by the priest delivering the banner to the infuriated Poles. The warring faction held a meeting last night and decided to reopen the war.

Shortly after 10 o'clock this morning a mob began to gather about the church and parsonage. They demanded that Father Bogacki and his body guard leave the building, which the priest refused to do. Then the mob attacked the parsonage. The handful of police which had been stationed about the house was powerless.

A fusillade of stones, bricks, clubs and every kind of missile was directed against the house. An attempt was made to break in the front door, when Officer Fitzgerald, who was on duty inside the house, it is claimed, fired at the leader, Jos. Bartkowiak, two bullets striking him, one in the neck and the other in the breast.

In the meantime James Stashinski, Joe Secoki and Alex Yonkowiak, of Father Bogacki's body guard, tried to escape by jumping from the windows. Secoki managed to get away from the mob, but Stashinski and Yonkowiak were nearly beaten to death before the police could rescue them.

Father Bogacki and the rest of his body guard took refuge in the cellar, where they remained until 1 o'clock this afternoon, when an agreement was reached whereby Father Bogacki and Officer Fitzgerald were promised a safe passage if they would vacate the house. When the priest and officer appeared, the latter became scared and started to run. He was clubbed several times over his head, but managed to leave the mob behind and gave himself up to the authorities at Central station. Bogacki was not molested and was driven to St. James' parsonage. After the priest had vacated, the crowd slowly disappeared. During the riot, it is said, dozens of shots were fired.

There is fear that the Poles will set fire to the parsonage to-night and the fire department men have been armed to protect the hose from being cut in case a fire is started.

COTTON MILL FAILURE.

The Yadkin Falls Manufacturing Company in the Hands of a Receiver.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WINSTON, N. C., Jan. 5.—The Yadkin Falls Manufacturing Company, owners of a large cotton mill at Yadkin Falls, Stanly county, N. C., has gone into the hands of N. B. McCanless, receiver. The stock is largely owned by Salisbury people. The failure was due to the inability of creditors to realise on their stock.

HAVANA ADVICES.

THE DAUNTLESS LANDED HER CARGO FOR THE INSURGENTS.

Cubans Rejoicing—Weyler Says He Expects to Put an End to the Rebellion in Havana Province Within a Fortnight—Negro Rebels Reported to Be Displeased at the Appointment of Rivera to Succeed Maceo.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—The Cuban paper *El Porvenir*, published in this city, received to-day the following dispatch from Key West and signed by Emilio Nunez, referring to the Dauntless expedition: "Expedition was happily disembarked at Sagua, in combination with Gomez."

By this it is understood that the Dauntless successfully landed her cargo and that the supplies were received by Gomez. The Dauntless took the fifty-one men and the arms and ammunition which the Three Friends left on No Name Key, near Key West, after failing to land them in Cuba. The cargo is said to have contained 1 184 rifles, 500,000 cartridges, 600 machetes, 1 000 pounds of dynamite, medicines, supplies, etc.

Sagua, where the expedition was landed, is an important town of Santa Clara province and is on the north coast. The landing was probably made on one of the beaches west of the port, which is protected by one or more Spanish gunboats.

Gomez was last reported a few miles south of Sagua.

Cubans here are rejoicing over the report of a successful landing of an expedition after the failure of the Three Friends and the sinking of the Commodore.

MADRID, January 5.—The *Imparcial* publishes a report of an interview had by the correspondent of the paper in Havana with Captain General Weyler yesterday. Gen. Weyler is quoted as saying that he is greatly surprised at the course taken by certain Madrid newspapers in charging that gross corruption exists in the military administration in Cuba. Doubtless, he says, there have been some abuses but these have been remedied whenever they have become known. In proof of this, the Captain General gives instances of his dismissal of several alcades (judges) for fraudulent practices in the purchase of horses and mules in the last campaign in the Pinar del Rio province. General Weyler says he expects to put an end to the rebellion in the Havana district within a fortnight and to accomplish the pacification of the island to the Jucaro trocha in the Matanzas province long before the rainy season sets in. The entire situation, General Weyler thinks, presents an exceptionally good aspect. He is still of the belief that military action ought to be allowed to have a free course until the end of the rebellion, and he is also convinced that no reform in the administration is now necessary.

A dispatch from Havana says negro rebels in Cuba are greatly displeased at the appointment of the insurgent leader Rius Rivera to succeed Maceo, and are deserting in large numbers.

HAVANA, Jan. 5.—Col. Baquero reports having met a force of rebels holding a position on the Heights of Boqueron, near Guantanamo, in the Santiago de Cuba province, dispersing the enemy with the loss of eight men killed and many wounded. Yesterday Col. Baquero had another sharp engagement with a band of rebels at Altos Sorpresa, in which the Spanish loss was two guerillas killed and one captain and twenty-two privates wounded.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Senor De Lome, the Spanish Minister, received to-night a telegram from Havana stating that Melguizo had returned to his headquarters from an incursion into the hills of the province of Pinar del Rio and brought back with him 350 insurgents, who had surrendered, and about 500 non combatants, consisting of old men, women and children.

THE THREE FRIENDS

Again Seized by U. S. Authorities at Jacksonville, Fla.—Possibly for the Purpose of Charging the Vessel with Piracy.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Jan. 5.—A new libel was filed against the steamer Three Friends to-day in the United States Court by District Attorney Frank Clark. In this libel the steamer is not charged with violating any particular section of the Revised Statue, and it is possible that this omission was for the purpose of charging the vessel with piracy. In the libel it is alleged that the Three Friends was armed and fitted out in the port of Fernandina on December 14th, 1896, with a large amount of stores, rifles, cartridges, machetes, dynamite and a Hotchkiss gun or cannon. That she was so armed and fitted out for the purpose of conducting hostilities against the subjects, people and property of the King of Spain in the island of Cuba. That the fitting out was done by John O'Brien, W. T. Lewis, John Dunn, J. M. Barrs, H. P. Fritot and J. A. Huau, and that on or about December 19, on the high seas, the first three named and others unknown, mounted on the bow of the vessel the Hotchkiss gun for the purpose of conducting hostilities as aforesaid.

The libel is for the forfeiture of the vessel to the use of the United States. An attachment was at once issued and served by the United States Marshal and the boat is once more tied up. The District Attorney claims that the owners will not be permitted to give bond to secure the release of the vessel this time.

TRAIN WRECKED

Near Carson, Iowa—Several Persons Injured—Some of Them Fatally.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CARSON, IOWA, Jan. 5.—A passenger train on the Carson branch of the Burlington & Quincy road was wrecked near here this morning. The rear coach left the rails while passing over a trestle and dropped to the bottom of a ravine. It took fire from the stove and was destroyed; the bridge also was burned. By hard work trainmen and uninjured passengers rescued the injured and prevented loss of life by fire, though some of the injured may yet die. Robert Aikens, of Henderson, will probably die of internal hurts; William Mann, of Sydney, will probably die; William Lamb, express agent, is probably fatally hurt; John Searls, conductor, will recover; Miss Mae Paul, of Henderson, is injured; Bert Curran, brakeman, has a shoulder dislocated.

FREE SILVER IN 1900.

Silverthorn, Fusion Candidate for Governor of Wisconsin, Issues an Address.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WAUAUSA, WIS., Jan. 5.—W. C. Silverthorn, fusion candidate for Governor of Wisconsin in the last campaign, has issued an address asking that a convention be called "for the purpose of conference and action upon the immediate inauguration of a campaign of education, with a view to carrying the election for free silver in 1900."

In conclusion, he says: "The Democracy of Wisconsin and the party with which it had united forces upon principle in the recent canvass will neither compromise nor retract in this struggle for a restoration of the free and unlimited coinage of both gold and silver as it existed from Washington to Grant."

FLOOD IN ARKANSAS.

Great Damage to Property—Railroad Trains Delayed and Tracks Washed Out.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LITTLE ROCK, Jan. 5.—As a result of Saturday night's storm and subsequent heavy rain, the Arkansas river and its tributaries have risen greatly and flooded the lowlands, doing great damage to fences and carrying away much valuable lumber. The railroads have suffered greatly and all trains have been delayed from ten to twelve hours. Freights were tied up twenty hours. The greatest damage to the Iron Mountain track by the storm was near Garner, White county, where a cloudburst flooded the whole country and turned Bull Creek into a roaring river. Almost fifteen hundred feet of road-bed was washed out but it is not repaired. The Arkansas river has risen 4 feet at Fort Smith, 3.6 feet at Dardanelle and 5.1 at Little Rock, in the past twenty-four hours.

THE POPE'S CONDITION.

Vienna Advices Report That It Is Very Grave.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The Vienna correspondent of the *Daily News* telegraphs that he learns from an official source that the condition of the Pope is very grave. He adds that Austria, having certain prescriptive rights in a conclave to elect the Pope's successor, would be one of the first Powers to be informed as to his condition. Other reports received here state that His Holiness is enjoying his usual health, and that he to-day received the Papal Secretary of State.

The *Chronicle's* Vienna correspondent confirms the report that the Pope is ill.

WARM WIRELETS.

Wm. H. Pancoast, A. M., M. D., an eminent physician and surgeon of Philadelphia, died at his home yesterday after an illness of several weeks.

Edward and John Pettit, in the blizzard of Sunday, were caught not far from their home at Hunter, twenty miles from Fargo, N. D., and frozen to death.

A dispatch from Manila, the capital of the Philippine Islands, says that the Spanish troops have defeated and totally routed a force of 4,000 insurgents at Olmanzas.

The Farmers' and Planters' Bank, Baltimore, will be in no wise impaired by the defalcation of Richard Cornelius, the cashier who committed suicide yesterday afternoon.

Postmaster General Wilson has issued an order establishing on January 19 next, a mail service twice a week between Miami, Florida, and Nassau, in the Bahama islands.

The bubonic plague is raging with much violence in Kurrachee, Sinde, one of the chief seaports of India. The panic caused by the spread of the disease is increasing daily.

J. E. Coles, one of the largest leaf tobacco dealers of Winston, N. C., has assigned, naming E E. Gray trustee. Besides leaf tobacco the assets include real estate. Liabilities are not given.

Officers at Asheville, N. C., arrested W. R. Catlett on advices from the sheriff of Sevier county, Tenn., Catlett being suspected of connection with the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Whaley, near Sevierville, last week.

President Samuel Spencer, of the Southern Railway, and A. R. Lawton, Jr., of Savannah, have been elected directors of the Central Georgia Railway Company, increasing the number of directors to fifteen.

The President yesterday sent the Senate the following nominations: Postmasters—J. C. Jones, Titusville, Fla.; R. O. Cresap, Lakeland, Fla.; Mary P. Dixon, West Point, Ga.; E. W. Wilcox, Rocky Mount, N. C.

Mr. Mange, director of the works of the Panama Canal Company, has gone to Jamaica for the purpose of engaging three thousand laborers to carry out the plans of the company for an extension of the work on the canal.

Hon. H. D. Money, member of the United States House of Representatives from Mississippi, who arrived in Cuba a few days ago, will leave Havana to-day on the steamer sailing for Tampa. Mr. Money refused to talk about the results of his visit.

Gen. Francis A. Walker, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and widely known, died yesterday morning. He had enjoyed good health up to the time of retiring Monday evening. Just before midnight he was stricken with apoplexy.

The annual report of the North Carolina State Penitentiary shows that there are 1,145 convicts, of whom 850 are employed on leased farms, where they cultivate 11,000 acres. The penitentiary paid all its expenses last year and has a cash balance of over $63 000.

President Comer, it is stated, has bought for the account of the Central of Georgia Railway a controlling interest in the Middle Georgia & Atlantic Railroad, about seventy miles long, running from Covington to Milledgeville, Ga. The terms were private.

Christian Schauer, Jr., cashier and treasurer of the National Bank for Savings, Allegheny, Pa., committed suicide yesterday morning by hanging. It is supposed that Schauer was laboring under a fit of insanity. An examination showed his affairs at the bank to be all right.

In the United States Court at Charleston, S. C., Judge Simonton issued an order appointing Messrs. Mike Brown and T. B. Lee temporary receivers of the Greenwood, Anderson & Western Railway and the South Carolina Midland Railroad Company. The rule is made returnable on February 1st.

Two murderers, William Downing and Charles Williams (both colored), were hanged yesterday at Norfolk, Va. The drop fell at 8.19 and ten minutes later the jail physicians pronounced both dead, Williams from strangulation and Downing's neck being broken.

Lawrence Wilson, aged 11 years, one of the eight boys bitten by a mad dog at Baltimore on December 1st and the first of the eight to go to the Pasteur Institute in New York for treatment, died in convulsions yesterday. He is the fourth boy to die from the effects of the dog's bite.

Postmaster General Wilson, it is rumored, will, upon his retirement from Mr. Cleveland's Cabinet accept the position of president of Washington-Lee University, now vacant. Mr. Wilson is an alumnus of this famous educational institution and it would be an agreeable position for him.

The Electric Street Railway property of Savannah, Ga., was sold at auction yesterday by the United States marshal for $211,000. The purchasers are Herman Myers, of Savannah, and J. H. Fall, of Nashville, representing a syndicate of New York bondholders. The bonded indebtedness of the company is $600,000. The property will be reorganized at once, and a large amount of money spent for new equipments.

In Olden Times

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently overcome habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system.

PENNSYLVANIA SENATOR.

Penrose of Philadelphia the Republican Nominee to Succeed Cameron.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 5.—The full Republican caucus of the Senate and House to night to choose a candidate for United States Senator to succeed Senator Cameron resulted in 138 votes for State Senator Penrose, of Philadelphia; 75 for ex-Postmaster General Wanamaker, one for Senator Cameron, one for ex-Congressman John B. Robinson and one for Judge Rice, present Judge of the Superior Court. If the decision of the caucus is obeyed in joint ballot of the Legislature, Mr. Penrose will be the next Senator from Pennsylvania to succeed Mr. Cameron.

MINNESOTA BLIZZARD.

The Greatest Snow and Wind Storm Ever Experienced in the Northwest.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. PAUL, MINN., January 5.—There was loss of life in the blizzard on Sunday and Monday. A telegram from Barnesville came to Representative McGrath this afternoon, saying his brother, John McGrath, was lost in the storm and perished before he could reach shelter. A dispatch from Fargo says two children of John Petit, of Hunter, were frozen to death in Sunday's storm. Their father has been in Fargo three days and details cannot be secured.

The greatest snow and wind storm since the settlement of that part of South Dakota round about Huron abated this morning. It was of fifty hours duration.

He Knew His Rights.

A little bowlegged Jap about 4 feet high made the conductor on a Market street car feel very uncomfortable yesterday. The Jap got on the car at Powell street, and in payment of his fare gave the conductor a transfer. He glanced at it and observed that it had been punched an hour before.

"Fare, please!" he growled as he held out the transfer.

"I have gave you one transfer," said the Jap very calmly and deliberately as he stared ahead like a wooden Indian.

"That was punched an hour ago."

"I cannot help if the conductor punch a wrong hole," declared the Jap.

"But it is not good. I want your fare."

"If it is not good, why he gave it me?"

"Will you pay your fare?"

"No."

"Then you will have to get off."

"I neither pay any more nor get off," declared the Jap deliberately, and his face never moved a muscle.

"Then I will have to throw you off." And the conductor stopped the car.

"You are afraid to put me off, if you even could. The law says you must take transfers, and your employer says you must take it, too, if you cannot make a man pay again. You cannot make me pay again."

The conductor gave the bellcord a jerk, and the little Jap continued to stare out the window opposite.—San Francisco Post.

Was Grateful to the Preacher.

"The man who said, 'Tis the unexpected that always happens,' was a preacher, I'll guarantee," said a clerical member of the Lunch club. "At my time of life I ought not to be stunned by anything, but after service a good woman of my flock did manage to take my breath away. I was preaching about the Father's tender wisdom in caring for us all," he said. "I illustrated by saying that the Father knows which of us grows best in sunlight and which of us must have shade. 'You know you plant roses in the sunshine,' I said, 'and heliotrope and geraniums, but if you want your fuchsias to grow you must keep them in a shady nook.' After the sermon, which I hoped would be a comforting one, a woman came up to me, her face glowing with a pleasure that was evidently deep and true. 'Oh, Dr. ——, I am so grateful for that sermon,' she said, clasping my hand and shaking it warmly. My heart glowed for a moment, while I wondered what tender place in her heart and life I had touched. Only for a moment, though. 'Yes,' she went on fervently, 'I never knew before what was the matter with my fuchsias,'"—Chicago Interior.

Persian Peasants.

There is probably no peasantry in the world so ground down as the Persian. The agricultural laborer there, as in China, never tries to ameliorate his condition, for the simple reason that if he earns more, more is taken away from him by the rulers of the land. The general condition of the laboring classes, however, does not seem to be so bad as might be supposed. In a country so vast (550,000 square miles) and so thinly populated (5,500,000 in all), a small and sufficient supply of food is easily raised, especially with such prolific soil at the command of the poorest. At Shiraz there are two harvests in the year. The seifi, sown in summer and reaped in autumn, consists of rice, cotton, Indian corn and garden produce, and the tchatoi is sown in October and November, and reaped from May till July. This is exclusively wheat and barley. Here also grow grapes, oranges and pomegranates, for which latter Shiraz is famed.—Outing.

Blood Showers In Olden Times.

In the "Annals of Remarkable Happenings In Rome" mention is made of 14 different showers of blood, or blood and other substances mixed, which occurred between the years 319 A. D. and 1170.

In 1222 we find record of a shower of blood and dust which covered the larger part of Italy. In 1236 a "snow" fell in Syria "which presently turned into large brooks and pools of blood." A monk who wrote in the year 1251, and whose manuscript is now preserved in the British museum, tells of a three days' shower of blood "all over southern Europe." Burgundy had a blood shower in 1861, and Dedfordshire, England, witnessed a similar phenomenon in the year 1450. In 1686 hailstones fell in Wurttemberg which contained cavities filled with blood or blood red liquid. The last "blood shower" on record occurred in Siam in the year 1802.—St. Louis Republic.

The Soured Bachelor.

"I wonder," said the vealy boarder, "if there is any truth in the theory that the advancement of woman to an equal intellectual plane with man will destroy her beauty."

"Of course there is," said the soured bachelor, "and there are more pretty women than ever nowadays."—Indianapolis Journal.

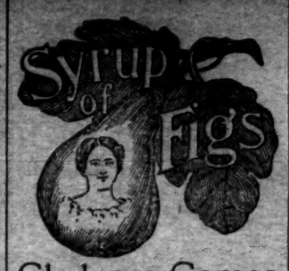
Humor In Chicago.

If the name of the man who first thought of sending floral tributes to Chicago aldermen could be discovered, he would take first place on the roll of fame as the great American humorist.—Chicago Record.

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If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

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